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Germany Replies To U.S. Peace Note

FORMIDABLE FLEET OF ALLIED WARSHIPS IN AMERICAN WATERS

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The presence on this side of the Atlantic of a formidable fleet of allied warships was indicated definitely today. The vessels are known officially as commerce protectors. They are heavily armed and disguised. For obvious reasons their exact disposition is not revealed, but the arrival recently in American waters of this newest unit of the British and French admiralties was made known from a source that hardly can be mistaken.

For some days skippers of trans-Atlantic and coastwise steamers have been bringing to New England ports reports of strange appearing craft that were making their way that were making their way and could not be approached. They steered a vagrant course, and were described variously as of the fashion of mercantile transports, light cruisers, and even of submarines. Pieced together, these reports fitted in with the suspicion, now apparently confirmed, of shipping men.

It is said that the fleet arrived safely at Halifax, N. S., a few days ago, but nothing then became known generally about it because of the strict censorship of all telegraphic matter originating in the provinces, and of such mail

matter as is suspected of containing intelligence of value to enemies of the allies.

The commerce protectors are described as large and powerful, but capable of fast speed. They were designed to be used to meet the German U-boats danger, and in anticipation of an attempted raid of the Canadian coast similar to that made by the U-53 off Nantucket on Oct. 8. At that time shipping men figured that there was not an allied warship within 500 miles of the spot that Capt. Hans Rose deliberately selected in which to operate. The British admiralty, it is said, determined to make impossible another such raid, and the fleet of commerce protectors was the fruition of the plan then formulated.

The arrival of the disguised warships was followed almost immediately with the announcement by the British premier, Lloyd George, of the plan for the nationalization of British shipping. It is understood that the commerce protectors will not only lie in wait for submarines at strategic points, but that they have been provided in sufficient number to act as convoys for merchant vessels throughout the zones in which under seas boats would be most likely to operate.

The arrival of the disguised warships

PROPOSES AN IMMEDIATE MEETING OF BELLIGERENTS TO DISCUSS PEACE

Note Says Task of Preventing Future Wars Can be Begun Only After End of Present Struggle

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies—Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey—today replied to the note of President Wilson in which he asked that the belligerent nations state the aims for which they were fighting. The proposal is made by the central powers that a conference of the delegates of all the belligerents be held immediately in a neutral city. The task of preventing future wars, the official statement says, can be begun only after the end of the present struggle.

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Text of Note

The text of Germany's answer to President Wilson's note was transmitted

today to James W. Gerard, the American ambassador.

The answer says:

"It begs, therefore, in the sense of the declaration made on Dec. 12, which offered a hand for peace negotiations to propose an immediate meeting of delegates of the belligerent states at a neutral place.

"The imperial government is also of the opinion that the great work of preventing future wars can be begun only after the end of the present struggle of the nations.

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SIGNALS OF DISTRESS

GAY HEAD, Dec. 26.—An unidentified Dutch freight steamer, apparently bound west without cargo, was in trouble off this part of Martha's Vineyard today. She was anchored three miles northeast of here in Vineyard Sound, making signals of distress and trying to signal a message. Her anchors were holding well and she was regarded in no danger by coast guardsmen who prepared to go to her assistance in a motor boat as soon as the heavy northwest winds and high seas made launching possible.

SIGNALS OF DISTRESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The coastwise steamship City of Savannah and the coast guard cutter Acushnet today hurried to the assistance of the steamer Maryland which shortly after midnight sent out messages stating that she was sinking and asking immediate aid. The Maryland gave her position as latitude 39, longitude 67, or about 380 miles east of Sandy Hook.

The City of Savannah was 160 miles south of the position given by the Maryland when the call for aid was received. The Acushnet was at Woods Hole, Mass., when ordered to proceed to the assistance of the Maryland. The coast guard cutter McHugh which left Sandy Hook when the first appeal for help was received, was later ordered to return in view of the proximity to the Maryland or other vessels en route to her aid.

Since the first call for help which was picked up by wireless stations in this city and at the naval radio station at Newport, R. I., no further word was received from the Maryland and it was believed that the vessel's wireless had been put out of commission, owing to the flooding of the engine room and the consequent lack of power.

Two steamships named Maryland are listed in the maritime register, one a British vessel of 2862 tons, and the other an American of 1842 tons. It is believed that the latter is the vessel in distress off the coast. The American ship left Philadelphia December 23, for London, with a cargo of oil and iron pipe, paper and miscellaneous merchandise.

NO PASSENGERS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The steamer Maryland, which sailed from here last Saturday for London and is reported sinking, is owned by the Crewe Levick Co. of this city, and for years was engaged in trade on the Great Lakes. She is commanded by Capt. F. A. Hayford and her crew numbers 21 men. There are no passengers.

The Maryland has a net tonnage of 1842 and is 316 feet long. The cargo consists of pipe, lubricating oil, syrup, canned tomatoes and iron.

WIRELESS STILLED

NANTUCKET, Dec. 26.—The Mary-land's wireless was stilled this fore-

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INDEMNITY FOR PAST AND SECURITY FOR FUTURE BRITAIN'S PEACE TERMS

PARIS. Dec. 26.—In addressing at the national congress of the French socialist party, Arthur Henderson, the British minister and G. D. H. Roberts, member of the British cabinet, both named, amidst enthusiastic cheers, that the war would be fought out until full indemnity had been obtained for a lasting peace.

"In my opinion," said Mr. Henderson, "in France and ourselves were to enter into negotiations under existing conditions we should be satisfied in demanding nothing less than that is the price our enemies would exact for peace today."

Emile Vandervelde, the Belgian socialist leader said:

"Our comrades who have remained in Belgium, bear up under German domination with admirable firmness. Nothing but encouragement reaches us from them. So it would seem that the persons most hostile to war are those who benefit from it."

Mr. Vandervelde also declared the struggle must be carried on until Belgium and Serbia are delivered, and 'Cæsarism' laid low."

In his speech Mr. Henderson said: "In my opinion we have now passed the most dangerous and difficult period of the war. During the next few months the negotiations of England and France will be held to be tested as never before. We do not understand me. It does not mean that the stress and strain of fighting in the field will be more severe, although I do not ignore such a possibility. But the danger is of an entirely different character."

"Our stupendous losses, our unprecedented sacrifices, our horror of war, our love of peace, may lead us to mortify the future. With such awful experiences we are apt to forget the great moral, eternal principles and ideals for which we entered the struggle. We are not only fighting a negative action against material forces which are highly organized, but we are engaged in a great spiritual conflict upon the result of which depends all our great ideals. If we enter into negotiations now we do so when Germany is not repentant for her wrongdoing and is

FUNERALS

PINAULT.—The funeral of Edmond J. Pinault took place Sunday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock from the home of his brother-in-law, George L. C. Gosselin, 235 Merrimack street. A Mass was sung in St. Patrick's church at 1 o'clock with a large attendance of relatives and friends, including a large delegation of children from the French American orphan asylum. The Louis Le Brun, Jr., organist, conducted the services. The priest in charge was Fr. Georges L. E. Schutte, theologian, of the Earl Farnham and Alfred Du Charme Rochebeau church, R. A., of which deceased was a member, was represented by David Partchement, René Bourdeau, M. A., and Léon Bourdeau, Alphonse Bergeron and Jean Tremblay. The C.M.A. was represented by Joseph Hamel, Eugène Trudeau, Ernestine Tremblay and Adélar Lassiter. Among the many floral tributes were Wreath inscribed "Brother," Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. Pinault, of New Bedford, and Miss Alice McGee, wife of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hooper.

PIZZETTI.—The funeral of Mrs. Pizzetti was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary L. Turgeon, 66 D street. Services were held at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, directed by Undertakers James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

POUDREY.—The funeral of Margaret Poudreys was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. George E. Banks, 285 Merrimack street. Services were present at the services from the Lowell Letter Carriers association, branch 22, Lester & Whitney road, 180, Gardner-Perron street, Vt., and Centralville, Vt., 210, Vt. The bearers were Morris George S. Hooper, Charles A. Hobden, George L. Hunt and Maurice H. Powers, all members of the Letter Carriers association. The Mass was played at the organ. General arrangements were in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonald & Sons.

POUDREY.—The funeral of Margaret Poudreys was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of her parents, Andrew P. and Nelly Banks, 285 Merrimack street, Rev. W. S. Jacobs, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church officiated and the services at that church. Mrs. M. H. McDonald and Miss Ruth McDonald sang.

DUNCAN.—The funeral of Edward A. Duncan was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of his parents, Andrew P. and Nelly Banks, 285 Merrimack street. Services were performed by Rev. W. S. Jacobs, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, Rev. W. H. Howard and others. Mrs. Mabel W. Duncan and Rev. W. H. Howard sang.

FOSTER.—The funeral services of Edward H. Foster were held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the parsonage of Undertakers John & Son, 180 Gardner-Perron street, Vt., and Centralville, Vt., 210, Vt. The bearers were Morris George S. Hooper, George S. Hooper, John & Son, and Rev. W. H. Howard. The Mass was said by Rev. W. H. Howard and the service conducted by Rev. W. H. Howard.

MACALAY.—The funeral of John Macalay, 100 Franklin street, Somerville, which began at 10 o'clock from the home of his parents, John & Anna Macalay, 100 Franklin street, Somerville, was held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the parsonage of Undertakers John & Son, 180 Gardner-Perron street, Vt., and Centralville, Vt., 210, Vt. The bearers were Morris George S. Hooper, George S. Hooper, John & Son, and Rev. W. H. Howard.

ONEILL.—The funeral of Mrs. George J. O'Neill took place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the parsonage of her parents, 180 Franklin street, Rev. W. H. Howard, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, officiated and the services at that church. Mrs. Mabel W. Duncan and Miss Ruth McDonald sang.

PIERRE.—The funeral of Mrs. St. Pierre was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of her parents, 180 Franklin street, Rev. W. H. Howard, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, officiated and the services at that church. Mrs. Mabel W. Duncan and Miss Ruth McDonald sang.

ANASTASIO.—The funeral of Anastasio, 100 Franklin street, Somerville, which began at 10 o'clock from the home of his parents, 180 Franklin street, Rev. W. H. Howard, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, officiated and the services at that church. Mrs. Mabel W. Duncan and Miss Ruth McDonald sang.

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HODDIE.—The funeral of Mrs. George J. O'Neill took place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the parsonage of her parents, 180 Franklin street, Rev. W. H. Howard, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, officiated and the services at that church. Mrs. Mabel W. Duncan and Miss Ruth McDonald sang.

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MCNAMARA.—The funeral of the late Michael McNamara took place this morning at 9:30 o'clock from his home, 231 Perry street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends from a number of out-of-town. The cortège proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of repose was sung by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Tighe, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. John O'Neil, O.M.I., deacon, Rev. Fr. Michael, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. There was a profusion of beautiful floral tributes, including a pillow inscribed "Husband," from wife, and pieces from a niece, Miss Mary McLean, Mrs. Jeremiah Mahoney and daughter, Mrs. and Mrs. John O'Neil, and from Caswell Optical employees of the Boston office, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Healy, Margaret and Dennis Hayes, Nellie Martin, Mrs. and Mrs. J. Taylor, Mr. Warren W. Fox, Mr. John Garvey, employees of the Boston office, Mr. and Mrs. Frank V. Vining, Mr. and Mrs. John Garvey, James Shadley, the Hon. J. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanley, Mrs. Mary Lyons, the orchestra and band of Boston College, the band of Andrew Hayes, Thomas Headley, Charles Stanley and John Taylor. At the grave Rev. Green McDonald, D.M.I., read the eulogistic prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of Undertakers James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

HAMER.—Mrs. Eva M. (Cardinal) Hamer died yesterday at her home, 14 Burnell street, aged 26 years. She leaves her husband, Lowell Hamer, two children, Alfreda and Clementine, her mother, Mrs. Mary Cardinal, one brother, Mrs. Charles E. Murray, and two sisters, Mrs. Frederick J. Vining, 11, and Napoleon Cardinal of this city.

MACKELWADE.—Mrs. Julietta S. Mackelwade died Sunday at her home, 1275 Bridge street, Dracut, aged 54 years. She leaves her husband, Lowell Hamer, two children, Alfreda and Clementine, her mother, Mrs. Mary Cardinal, one brother, Mrs. Charles E. Murray, and two sisters, Mrs. Frederick J. Vining, 11, and Napoleon Cardinal of this city.

PRINDIVILLE.—Mary, infant daughter of Michael and Mary Jordan Prindiville, died yesterday at the home of her parents, 86 Willie street, Dracut.

O'MALLEY.—Mrs. Julia Hogan O'Malley, an esteemed member of St. Patrick's church, died yesterday at the residence of her son, Michael, 611 Broadway. She leaves her husband, John O'Malley; two daughters, Mrs. McCarthy and Katherine E. Hogan; a son, William K. Hogan; a sister, Mrs. Patrick McDonnell and several grandchildren.

SISTER ANNE.—Sister Anne of the Sacred Heart, a member of the Sisters of Notre Dame of Namur for almost a half century, died at the novitiate of that order in Waltham Dec. 21. Before entering the community Sister Anne was Miss Mary Clark of this city. She was the widow of John O'Neil, a son of her husband who went south here. She was among the first of the Lowell girls to enter the order, soon after the Sisters of Notre Dame were established in St. Patrick's parish. Miss Clark passed her probation in Cincinnati and after three months was admitted to the novitiate. The commissioning of the convent and its first members took place in 1851. The burial took place Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the convent chapel. Burial was in the cemetery plot in the Waltham Catholic cemetery.

WRIGHT.—Fried A. Wright, a former Lowell man, died Saturday in Washington, D. C., aged 53 years. He was born in Lowell and obtained his early education in the public schools, later entering Amherst College and graduating from that institution in 1881. For that year he was employed in the Lowell city library. Subsequently he went to Washington, and for 25 years was connected with the central post office, where he was promoted to the rank of Worcester, and several nephews and nieces. The funeral took place Saturday morning with a solemn mass in the convent chapel. Burial was in the cemetery plot in the Waltham Catholic cemetery.

GROHES.—The funeral of Peter Grimes will take place Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of his parents, Peter and Sarah, 121 W. Street, in charge of Undertakers James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

GARLAND.—The funeral of Thomas Garland, 100 Franklin street, Lowell, John A. Garland, aged 7 years, 8 months and 8 days, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. McManus, Mr. and Mrs. Warren White, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benton, Mrs. William McElroy and Minnie Blanchard, the Roche family, testing and laboratory department, St. Gertrude's church, the McManus family, Rev. Francis MacPherson, Mrs. Maria Griswold, Mrs. Anna, Mrs. Emily, Mr. and Mrs. Josephine, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Higgins and James E. Burns. Burial was in the Wilson cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers C. H. Molloy & Sons.

GRAVES.—John L. Graves died Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the hospital of St. Luke's Hospital, from pneumonia. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday at 125 Franklin street, Dracut.

HALL.—The funeral of Peter Grimes will take place Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the cemetery plot in the Waltham Catholic cemetery.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Brilliant programs were the order of the day in Protestant churches, Sunday. The churches were beautifully decorated and the Christmas spirit was made manifest everywhere. The weather was ideal and there were large congregations at all of the churches. Sunday schools in many of the churches gave their annual Christmas concert.

PAGE STREET CHURCH

The annual Christmas concert by the Sunday school of the Page Street Baptist church was held Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the church auditorium. The service was most enjoyable. In addition to special selections by the church quartet, the children presented the following program:

Processional
Song by school, *Hail to the King Welcome*, May Cogswell
Song by school, *Ring the Christmas Bells*

Responsive Reading
Song by school, *Long Ago the Shepherds Watched*

Recitations
Ernest Wilson and Russell Durrell Recitation

Song by school, *Heaven and Earth With Jubilant Ring*

Recitation By Beginners Class

Song by Marion Chase Recitation, *I Am a Man*

Song by school, *Welcome to the Mighty Prince of Peace*

Offering Quartet, Slumbering in a Lowly Manger

Recitation, *The Star of Bethlehem*, Dorcas Kitteridge's class

Song by Miss Kitteridge's class Recitation, *The Day of Days*

William Henry Phillips

Vocal solo, There Were Shepherds

Miss Edith Sanders

(Violin Obligato) Miss Mildred Brennen

Recitation, Mrs. Crosby's Class

Song by Primary Class

Miss Orpha Hutchinson

Song by school, *The Wondrous Story*

Recitation Five Boys from Mr. Batchelder's Class

Song by school, *Bright Star of Hope*

Recitation Miss Nellie Cross

Song by school, *Hail the Savior of Men*

Remarks by Pastor Tabbed Holy Night Benediction

Pawtucket Church

Decorations of laurel, wreaths, fir trees and cut flowers made a seasonal setting for the Christmas services at the Pawtucket church Sunday. Rev. Arthur G. Lyon's sermon was on "The Desire of the Nations" and emphasized the fact that the care of children, the advancement of womanhood, the progress of the nations may all be traced to the influence of the Christ child at Bethlehem. The church choir gave a fine program of music, Miss Florence E. Miller and Miss Belle F. Hutchinson taking the solo numbers. The junior choir also sang a carol very effectively. In the evening the church was filled for the concert by the Sunday school.

HIGHLAND CONGREGATIONAL

The special service of interest at the Highland Congregational church was given at 5 p.m., Sunday, when the children presented their annual Christmas service. There were carols and recitations, and a large congregation took a deep interest in the program. The platform was decorated with Christmas trees, brilliantly lighted with colored incandescent lamps.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D.D., preached on "What Christmas Teaches," at the First Universalist church, Sunday morning. The musical portion of the service was in keeping with the subject. Miss Kathleen Wright gave violin solos, and there was singing by the quartet of the church, consisting of Mrs. Nettie L. Roberts, contralto; Mrs. Winifred Flagg Symonds, soprano; Fred Booth, tenor, and Harry Needham, bass. Mrs. Helen C. Taylor was organist and director. Decorations of the church were in holly and laurel, with beautiful flowers, including poinsettias.

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Grace Church

The Christmas spirit dominated Grace Universalist church services Sunday. Rev. Herbert E. Benton, the pastor, preached at the morning service and had as his topic "Midnight and Morning." In the evening Henry Van Dyke's beautiful "Story of the Other Wise Man" was told by Mrs. H. E. Benton, and Christmas music was sung by the church choir. Decorations of holly, mistletoe and evergreen emphasized in a happy way the significance of the day.

First Unitarian

Christmas red and green beautified the pulpit and platform of the First Unitarian church Sunday. At the morning service there was a program of Christmas music, and the minister, Rev. A. R. Hussey, preached on "The Word Made Flesh." A Sunday school service was held in the vestry at noon with carol singing and speaking by the different classes.

A vesper service

was held at 4:30, with special music, and Mr. Hussey preached on "Crowded Out," the theme being the birth of the Savior in a manger, because there was "no room at the inn." The music at this service was particularly beautiful, the organist playing Handel's "Pastoral Symphony," and Mrs. Leahy and Mrs. Spalding singing the solos, "He Shall Feed His Flock" and "Come Unto Him" from "The Messiah."

First Baptist Church

There was inspiring music and an appropriate sermon at the First Baptist church. At 6 o'clock Wilfred Kershaw, organist, gave an excellent recital, consisting of "O, Thou That Tellst," by Handel; "Christmas Meditation" by Vincent D'Indy, and "Offertory" by Batisse. The service opened with the professional group, followed by the organist, and the choir number, "And There Were Shepherds" by Wilson. The quartet sang "The Heavenly Lullaby," and later the famous "Hallelujah" chorus from "The Messiah" was sung with splendid vim by the chorus of the church. Rev. Arthur Crawley Archibald, pastor, preached on the theme, "Mary, the Mother of Our Lord." This was the fifth sermon in the series based upon striking sayings by Billy Sunday. "Home is on the same level as your woman, and the city on a level with your homes."

Centralville Methodist

Miss Sadie Mansen, Miss Grace Cluer and Charles E. Garmon constituted the committee in charge of the Sunday school Christmas concert at the Centralville M. E. church Sunday evening. The program:

Prelude; processional; welcome, Dorothy Leith; recitation, "Christians Are Small Pies"; George Anderson; "Little Lights"; Edith Burke; Rena Nichols, Ethel Chisholm; Scripture reading; prayer, "Radiant Star"; choir; recitation, "Auntie's Christmas Letters"; May Walker; recitation, "Mary the Mother"; Edith Hughes; recitation, "A Glorious Day"; Marcel Thompson; song, "Jesus Tellest"; by Handel; "Christmas Meditation" by Vincent D'Indy, and "Offertory" by Batisse. The service opened with the professional group, followed by the organist, and the choir number, "And There Were Shepherds" by Wilson. The quartet sang "The Heavenly Lullaby," and later the famous "Hallelujah" chorus from "The Messiah" was sung with splendid vim by the chorus of the church. Rev. Arthur Crawley Archibald, pastor, preached on the theme, "Mary, the Mother of Our Lord." This was the fifth sermon in the series based upon striking sayings by Billy Sunday. "Home is on the same level as your woman, and the city on a level with your homes."

Fourteen-year-old Walter Courtney made a thrilling rescue yesterday afternoon when he saved Gladson Parker, aged 8 years, of 15 Lamb street, Pawtucketville, from drowning near the Locks and Canals gate in School street. Parker is said to have ventured on the thin ice that had formed near the shore. He fell into the water and his cries attracted the attention of young Courtney, who was passing the spot. Without losing any time Courtney rushed to the shore and succeeded in saving the lad from the water. The ambulance was called and the Parker boy was taken to the Lowell Corporation hospital. He was able to go home early last evening.

KOLLOWSKI STABBED

The auditorium of the Westminster Presbyterian church was the scene Sunday evening, of a splendid Christmas concert by the young people of the Sunday school department. During the evening, the pastor, Rev. S. A. Jackson, gave a short talk in which he commended the Sunday school pupils upon their fine work.

Christmas Pageant

A Christmas pageant was presented last evening at the Pawtucket Congregational church, following the distribution of presents from two large trees. The pageant was in four scenes. It was carefully staged and splendidly acted.

Ministry-at-Large

At the Ministry-at-Large in Middlesex street the young people of the congregation and Sunday school held a Christmas festival with a Christmas tree and a varied program of songs and recitations. A miracle play, "The Christmas Guest," was a feature of the program and was presented by seven young ladies. After singing familiar carols the children received candy, gifts and fruit.

First Congregational

Christmastide at the First Congregational church was observed with especial reference to the children. After the morning service exercises for the Sunday school were held, the children taking part in the following numbers:

Song, Joy, Joy, Christmas Bells Are Pealing

Recitation, Gwendolyn Cash Song, Arthur Kirk The Sweetest Story, Ruth Morse

Song, Kindergarten on Christmas Day, Miss Chapman's Class

Hush-a-Bye, Baby, Mildred and Olive Coombs

Exercise, I Look Up at the Pretty Stars, May Willis

Christmas Time and Christmas Light, Miss Patterson's Class

Star of the Morning, Girls' Semi-Chorus and School Christmas, Mrs. Melvin's Class

Merry Christmas Bells, Charles and Albert Ellis

A King Is Born, Miss Lockhart's Class

On Through the Shadows, Barack Class and School Christmas Gifts, Miss Taylor's Class

Mary Tells the Children, Ruth Lockhart

The Song That Shall Never Cease, Boys' semi-chorus and school

A Christmas Prayer, Miss Leach's Class

The World-Wide Song, Fred Sudd

At 6:30 a cantata, "The Star of the East," was given by the church choir with the following soloists: Soprano, Miss Lillian Powers; contralto, Mrs. Eva Stobie; tenor, Albert Whitworth; bass, Arthur Gable; Miss Edna Leon; gale at the organ.

St. Paul's Church

The cantata, "Blessed Is He That Cometh," was sung by members of

the Sunday school at St. Paul's M. E. church Sunday night. Peter Flecken, chorister, had general charge of the production, with Mrs. C. E. Richardson supervising the junior participants. Instrumental music, accompanying the singers was given by Charles V. Barker, organist, and Messrs. Booth and Parkhurst, on the violin and cornet. The beautiful music was much appreciated by a very large congregation. The participants were: "Mary," Marion Davis; "King Herod," Roscoe Drew; "Joseph," Harry Whittemore; children of the shepherds, Esther Adele, Ruth Gulesian, Charlotte Shaw, Robert Drew and David Skinner; the committee having general charge of the cantata consisted of Mrs. E. C. Hart and Mrs. Bertram F. Brann. Christmas tree exercises were held at the church in the evening.

FIVE MEN KILLED IN FREIGHT WRECK

BETHLEHEM, Me., Dec. 26.—A head-on collision between two Grand Trunk freight trains about midway between the West Bethel and Gildead stations at 10:45 o'clock Sunday night resulted in the death of five trainmen and the destruction of a large amount of freight.

The collision occurred in a desolate place, at a sharp curve. All the wires were brought down by the wreck and the first information was brought out by Breckinridge Burbank of the west-bound train, who walked back three miles to the West Bethel station.

Wrecking trains were immediately sent to the scene, and Medical Examiner H. A. Bartlett of Norway was hurried to the wreck and spent the day investigating.

Engines Windfield, La. Chase of Portland, engineer of the regular freight east-bound to Portland, jumped, but received injuries, from which he died at the hospital at Berlin to which he was rushed. The other dead are Engineer Leon Corliss of the extra, west-bound freight, Breckinridge E. Wilder and Herman C. Teitel and Firemen L. B. Pike. Mr. Corliss is from Island Pond, as are Pike and Wilder.

The bodies of Mr. Wilder and Mr. Pike were recovered, but those of Mr. Harriman and Engineer Corliss are still buried in the wreck.

Eight of 16 cars were derailed on the west-bound track and two on the east-bound were burned and several others derailed and demolished. The east-bound cars were mostly loaded with provisions. A part of the west-bound cars was loaded, but many were empty. The cause of the collision is supposed to have been a misapprehension of orders. It is believed that the trains which had passed each other at Gildead. The wrecking crews worked on the scene all day but last night the track was still blocked and it is expected to be at least another day before traffic can be resumed.

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PHINNEY BOYLE LOSES COUTURE WINS FROM DECISION TO HANSEN

Phinney Boyle of this city lost the decision to Larry Hansen of New York at the Unity Cycle club, Lawrence yesterday afternoon, in a whirlwind bout which went the scheduled 12 rounds. Hansen deserved the verdict which Referee Larry Conley of Boston rendered in his favor as he did practically all the forcing.

Boyle did considerable missing but toward the end of the bout was being a steady tactor on his opponent's face and body. Hansen also missed many punches though he repeatedly grabbed Boyle with his left during the early stages of the fight. When he backed Phinney to the ropes he showed punch of all descriptions on his arms. There were no knockdowns during the bout so nothing that resembled one. Both men fought at top speed all through the fight and many of the rallies had the members standing on their seats during the excitement caused by the men in the ring.

All was satisfied with the decision except a few dissatisfied fans from Lowell. Walter Bartlett of Lawrence needed Billy Currier of New Bedford out of the decision in a fast hard hitting contest. Currier was sent to the floor in the seventh with a straight right which Bartlett landed on his jaw but he recovered and was fighting furiously at the finish. This was a great battle from a spectator's viewpoint for both boys struggled from start to finish.

CITY MINOR LEAGUE

MIDDLESEX QUINTER LEADS WITH THREE TEAMS TIED FOR SECOND PLACE

The standing and averages in the City Minor League are as follows:

Standing	Won	Lost	Points
Middlesex	23	8	11.837
Crescent	19	12	11.897
Central System	19	13	11.841
Spinnaker City	19	13	11.821
Highland	15	16	11.513
Bridge Street	15	17	11.506
Stiermack	14	18	11.255
Carr's	2	30	10.682

Individual averages: Cameron, 104.1; Player, 102.15; W. Houston, 102.13; Currier, 102.11; Chapman, 102.9; Dickey, 102.6; McDermit, 101.7; Leduc, 101.6; Gauthier, 99.3; J. Houston, 98.9; Stiermack, 99.16; Sonnet, 99.15; Gray, 99.11; Desrozier, 99.11; Vezina, 98.29; Hosmer, 97.21; W. Durough, 97.16; Shetley, 97.10; Kirttidge, 97.8; Mahan, 97.6; Buckley, 96.7; Aubut, 96.1; Eppen, 95.1; Sullivan, 95.1; Clark, 95.1; Boucher, 94.2; Ryan, 94; Roy, 92.14; Hartford, 92.2.

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Lowell and Lawrence

MARRIED MEN WON
In the annual Christmas bowling match held between teams composed of some of the best rollers in the city, the married men defeated the single men of the Crescent alleys yesterday morning. The married team put up the remarkable score of 1937. Kempton was high with a total of 340. The score:

MARRIED MEN			
Concannon	1	2	3
Bernardini	110	93	116
Wynne	122	100	107
Kempson	111	113	112
Levitan	105	102	111
Jewett	98	104	88
Totals	633	614	651

SINGLE MEN			
Murphy	165	93	120
Johnson	124	90	94
Whalen	114	99	86
Whipple	112	92	118
Marie	105	105	119
Keller	106	122	103
Totals	612	589	610

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TESTIMONY IN B. & M. RECEIVER- SHIP CASE

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Henry B. Day of this city, a director of the Boston & Maine railroad in his capacity as one of the federal trustees of stock of that road owned by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, was called today as a witness in the Boston & Maine receivership hearing in the federal court. In answer to questions by counsel for minority stockholders who oppose receivership he said he voted against a further extension of the road's notes last August because he believed it was his duty to bring about a reorganization through the medium of the federal courts.

"It seemed to me that many of the noteholders would not renew if asked, and it also seemed that it might be unwise to ask some of them," the witness stated. "We had come to a parting of the ways and had exhausted all means of arranging with the Concord & Montreal and Connecticut riverroads. I saw no prospect of anything but a reorganization or a receivership."

The obligations of the road had been piling up since 1891. The mileage itself had not increased one iota. The leases were not excessive, but the principle was wrong.

"And so when the federal trustees came in they came with the idea that reorganization was the only hope. When after months and months of effort to bring about a friendly reorganization, we failed, I thought we would be much better off in the hands of the court."

William J. Hobbs, vice president of the Boston & Maine who was recalled to the stand testified that on Sept. 30 last, there was cash on deposit amounting to \$8,678.720.

Mr. Day said the claim of the Hampden railroad against the Boston & Maine, in connection with an agreement to purchase the former property should be compromised, adding that there was justice and right on both sides.

Negotiations had been started toward a compromise, he testified, the Hampden interests demanding \$3,300,000 in first and second preferred stock of the new company which, under reorganization, was to take over the several properties of the present Boston & Maine system. He said he thought a settlement advisable.

Leading line representatives, especially directors of the Boston & Lowell and the Pittsburgh railroads were insistent that the Hampden claim be settled before they would enter reorganization proposals, according to the witness.

COLLEGE WOMEN HAVE FEW CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Every married woman capable of bearing children must as an average bring three children to maturity in the population to be kept up and not increased. It was declared here today at a meeting of the American Genetic association, by Dr. Robert J. Sprague of the Massachusetts Agricultural college. Of the graduates of our women's colleges, he said, only one half ever marry and "the average number of children per graduate is less than one." The meeting is being held by the association as one of the affiliated organizations taking part in the 69th convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

NEW EVIDENCE IN WAITE CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Dr. Arthur W. Waite has confessed to Frank Waite, his brother, that just before his arrest for the murder of John E. Peck he took to Frank's home and hid there a bottle containing enough poison to kill a score of persons.

Dr. Waite had had this poison for years since his return from South Africa. So he possessed it when he bought poison of the same kind to kill his father-in-law and mother-in-law.

Frank Waite has given out his brother's statement and has told of finding the bottle in his home.

Both Frank Waite and Walter R. Deuel, counsel for Dr. Waite, hold that this discovery proves the condemned man is insane and with it they intend to fight to save him from execution.

POLISH BANK TO ISSUE NEW PAPER CURRENCY

OTHER NEUTRALS TO JOIN U.S. IN PEACE MOVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Indications accumulated in official quarters here today that the action of Switzerland in supporting the peace move of the United States may be followed by similar action on the part of other European neutrals.

Holland, Spain, the Scandinavian countries and the pope, it was said, are expected to take some action in the near future.

Dr. Paul Ritter, the Swiss minister here, will see President Wilson within a few days to discuss the peace situation. He called at the White House today to gather information on how the Swiss peace note had been received in this country in order to send a report to his government.

Dr. Ritter was concerned over newspaper reports that the action of the Swiss government was construed as support for the cause of the central powers. He told Secretary Tammany that the action of his government was solely in the interest of peace.

Messages from individuals and organizations in Holland and other neutral European nations continued to arrive at the White House today in large numbers. All commanded the president for his recent note and indicated that strong pressure was being brought on the governments of European neutrals to take action. While the United States will continue to act alone, supporting action by other neutral nations, it is said, will be welcomed by President Wilson.

Spanish Ambassador Riano conferred with Secretary Lansing today but both officials refused to discuss the meeting beyond saying that the ambassador sought further information as to the peace situation. Spain, Mr. Riano said, had not yet sent a reply to President Wilson's note and there has been no indication yet as to whether she would follow Switzerland as the third intermediary entrusted with the forwarding of the neutral powers' proposals in endorsing the president's action. Nor has any word been received. It was said, as to when the allies would reply to those proposals.

SWISS NOTE TO BELLIGERENTS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Interest in the receipt of President Wilson's note remains unabated. Newspaper discussion was renewed today with a new impetus administered by the issue of the Swiss note, with its disclosure of a Swiss-American consultation weeks ago, and by London cable despatches recording the discussions, speculations and criticisms in America. On the main question as to how President Wilson's note and similar communications should be treated by the allied opinion remains as already recorded. There is on the one hand a reiteration of the rooted objection of the allies to an appeal for courteous treatment of neutral representations, it being urged that the allies are bound to take them into account, for to do otherwise would be to expose themselves to "the ire of the aggressors who began the war."

Apart from the main question there is much discussion as to the genesis, nature and probable effects of President Wilson's message. Despatches from Washington and New York represent public opinion in America as informed and as curious on these points as opinion is here. It seems a matter of special satisfaction to some editorial writers that criticisms of the president's phraseology and surprise at the course he has taken, are according to these despatches identical on both sides of the Atlantic. The Times says:

"It would not be easy to discover in the recent history of diplomacy a state paper issued by any great power which has proved so exceedingly difficult of plain interpretation. President Wilson's first duty to his fellow citizens, to the combatants and to other neutrals would seem to be to make his meaning less obscure. Unless and until he does so the allies must put upon it what seems to them the natural interpretation and the character of that interpretation may be inferred from Mr. Bonar Law's remarks the other night."

Switzerland's action, while declared in quarters in which President Wilson's note was met by an emphatic no as offering no greater prospect of bringing peace than that of the president, is treated more leniently. "I will not suffer," says the Chronicle, "from the misfortune of the circumstances under which the American note was published making it seem an appendix to the German proposals, because the Swiss statement make it clear their overt agreement is the outcome of an exchange of views which has been proceeding confidentially for weeks."

The Telegraph taking the same attitude says:

"The Swiss note prudently avoids the type of argument which earned for President Wilson no small reception by all the belligerents and takes only that ground on which every neutral has a right to be heard."

U.S. SENDS FACTS ON THE ADRIATIC TO GERMANY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The preliminary statement sent to this government by Great Britain saying the British steamer Arabia, sunk by a German submarine, without warning, was not at the time and had not been in admiralty service, was sent on today to Germany.

Announcement to that effect was made at the state department where, as in the case of the Marconi, on which Americans were lost, no comment was added. Further facts are expected from Great Britain shortly and possibly a reply from Germany.

SLID DOWN ROPE TO SAFETY DURING FIRE

KINGSTON, R. I., Dec. 26.—The dormitory and lecture hall used by the poultry department of the Rhode Island state college burned to the ground yesterday in a fire which is supposed to have originated from incubators in the basement. Most of the students were away for the Christmas vacation, but one of them, asleep on the top floor, slid down a rope made of blankets to safety. The loss is \$10,000, uninsured.

WOOD TO PUSH PROBE ON LEAK TO WALL ST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Congressman Wood of Indiana, author of the resolution providing for an investigation to ascertain if official advance information was furnished Wall street speculators concerning the president's note to European nations now at war, says he is determined to go to the bottom of the charges that government officials gave the tip that caused the stock market hurry to profit a few people and hurt many others.

"My resolution is privileged and I will demand action on it," said Mr. Wood. "The committee to which it was referred does not act inside of two days after congress reconvenes, I will insist for its discharge of further consideration and go direct to the floor of the house with it."

Mr. Wood said that he is getting together all the information possible to be used in his fight for a probe. He has not decided what witnesses shall be called, but will begin with prominent Wall street brokers. What he wants to get at, he said, is the truth, and added: "There is a lot of loose talk about advance information for Wall street speculators, but none of it has crystallized into definite allegation."

AUTOMATIC ALARM

An automatic alarm called the members of the Central fire station to the James Co. store in Merrimack st at 8.15 o'clock Sunday morning. There was no fire, the alarm having been caused by a leak in the sprinkler system. No damage was done.

Fire at Rollaway

About 9.30 o'clock Sunday morning the protective company was called to the Rollaway in Hurd street where there was a slight blaze in a partition. The fire was caused by some person carelessly throwing a lighted cigarette. The damage was slight.

FUNERALS

ST. PIERRE.—The funeral of Joseph St. Pierre took place this morning from his home, 12 Joliette avenue. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 8 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Boulié, O.M.I. The bearers were Fernand and Ernest Poulin, Ernest Hubert, Delphine Léonard, Hector, Joseph Lefebvre, Henri Riell and Honore Rochefort. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Baron, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

LAMBERT.—The funeral of Thomas Lambert took place this morning from his home, 24 Coolidge street. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Joseph's church at 8 o'clock by Rev. Jules Racine, O.M.I. The bearers were Albert, Israel and Theodore Lambert, Joseph Lefebvre, Henri Riell and Honore Rochefort. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Baron, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

SIMLA, India, December—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—More than 28,000 people were killed by snakes and wild animals in British India last year. The government reports show that 1923 persons were slain by tigers and other beasts, and 26,355 perished through being bitten by reptiles, an increase over the previous year of 3,700 deaths met in this manner. No figures are available for the native states with their population of some 90,000,000.

During the past five years elephants, tigers and other animals have killed 2,192 people in British India, and of these tigers have claimed a toll of 3,682. In the same period 118,828 persons have died as the result of snake bites.

Last year the highest total of deaths due to animals in any one province was in Bihar and Orissa, where 684 people lost their lives, tigers alone accounting for 376. In the United Provinces one man-eating tiger in the Almora district killed ten persons out of the provincial total of twenty.

In order to effect the destruction of as many wild animals and snakes as possible the government pays bounties. The number of animals destroyed in 1915 was 25,038, including 1,582 tigers, 6,623 leopards, 2,715 bears and 2,191 wolves. The total number of snakes killed was 184,655.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION

Albert Caisse was sentenced to three months in the house of correction by Judge Enright at a special session of police court this afternoon after he had pleaded guilty to larceny of one suit of clothes valued at \$15 and a pair of three dollar shoes from Joseph Beaudin.

Caisse was arrested last Friday night for breaking and entering the home of Felix Verloove in Dutton street with intent to commit larceny on Nov. 24. He was caught in the house by Clementine Verloove, a daughter of Felix. He pleaded guilty to this charge Saturday and the case was continued until today for sentence. In the meantime it was learned that he had stolen the suit and shoes from Beaudin who resided at John street. The Verloove complaint was placed on file.

DOLLARS SPENT IN LOWELL

Remain here and work for us
DOLLARS

Stay out of our city, are gone forever
MONEY TALKS

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SOME JOLT IS COMING TO DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 26.—Deputy sheriffs will be compelled to make public the amount of their annual receipts if the legislature passes a bill which has been filed with the clerk of the house of representatives by former Representative Courtenay Crocker of Boston and Charles F. Dutch.

At the present time each sheriff is required to file with the secretary of the commonwealth, on or before the fifteenth of October in each year, a statement of all money received by him during the year ending Sept. 30th, including all amounts received from the county treasury and from all other sources, and specifying the amounts received for fees in civil and criminal processes. Failure to file such a return makes the sheriff liable to a fine of two hundred dollars.

The bill now filed makes the same provisions of law applicable to each deputy sheriff, and also adds this clause to the section requiring that a return be filed: "Upon the failure to file a sufficient return the secretary of the commonwealth shall notify the attorney-general. The supreme judicial court upon the application of the attorney-general may compel any sheriff or deputy sheriff who fails to make a return or who makes a return which does not sufficiently conform to the above requirements, to file a sufficient return."

Still another provision of the bill which is likely to meet opposition from the "county ring"—in counties where such organizations exist—is one that appointments of deputy sheriffs must hereafter be approved by the supreme judicial court. The present statutory authority for the appointment of deputies is found in section 208 of chapter 23 of the Revised Laws, which provides simply that "A sheriff may appoint deputies, who shall be sworn before performing any official act." In place of this section, the petitioners for the legislation would insert a new one, reading as follows:—"A sheriff may, subject to the approval of the supreme judicial court, appoint one or more deputies who shall be sworn before performing any official act."

SUN BREVIETIES

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The York club presented a pretty picture to passersby last evening. Two bright candles burned in each window and laurel wreaths hung from the window sashes.

Among the recent United States letters patents of local interest secured through the offices of Gardner W. Peacock, Esq., is one to Laurin H. Martin on a tie holding device.

The Sunlight dancing party held in Associate hall yesterday was attended by a large number of young people, afternoon and evening. The Miner-Douglas orchestra furnished music.

Mrs. Nellie Hayes of 504 Suffolk st is at the Lowell Corporation hospital suffering from a fractured left arm sustained in a fall Sunday. Mrs. Hayes was taken to the hospital in the ambulance yesterday.

The little blanket of snow that came early Christmas morning did not improve the skating. Neither did it rain entirely, as was evidenced by the crowds of skaters on the Merrimack river, the rink at Shedd park and elsewhere.

A fight at a Christmas celebration in a house in Bradford street resulted in severe injury to Manual Terisafoff, 108 Tufts street, last evening. Several of Manual's ribs were broken and he sustained a scalp laceration and required five stitches to close.

A handsome four-piece silver tea service on a cut glass tray was presented to Manager B. E. Pickett of Keith's theatre by his employees as a token of the esteem in which he is held. The Christmas gift was found by Manager Pickett on the desk in his office with appropriate greetings.

A pretty Christmas eve celebration was held by the Lincoln club in its quarters. Santa Claus made a visit to the members. President Joseph F. Ryan taking the role of Santa. A program included numbers by Misses McCullin, Ward and Reardon and Messrs. Lockhart, Perry, Marshall, Olson, Bell and Palmer. Miss Dowling was the accompanist.

A check for \$220 to be used in aiding families of prisoners who are in his charge was received by Probation Officer James P. Ramsay Saturday from a woman who refused to disclose her name. The woman wrote that she would willingly give more money if it were needed to bring happiness to the sorrowful wives and children of prisoners.

SMALL MURDER

Continued

ruins of the cottage which the couple had occupied on the shore of Lake Ossipee, in the village of Mountain View. During the night the house had been burned.

Small had left home late in the previous afternoon for Boston. He was in that city when notified that the cottage had been destroyed and that his wife was missing. He immediately returned to Mountain View by automobile. On his arrival he declared that he had ridden farewell to Mrs. Small on his departure and that she was then in the house.

The body was found in the cellar where a pool of water had prevented its incineration. A cord was wound twice about the neck and tied behind. An autopsy disclosed that there was a bullet wound over the left eye and that the head bore marks of several blows, which the medical referee thought had been inflicted by some blunt instrument.

Small, expressing the opinion that his wife had been murdered by a tramp, offered a reward of \$100 for the arrest of the murderer. Shortly afterward he was charged with the crime and brought to the county jail in this town.

At the preliminary hearing counsel for Small offered no defense. Indications of the theory which the prosecution held as to a possible motive for the alleged murder were obtained from the argument of Atty. Gen. James P. Tufts. Mr. Tufts introduced evidence to show that a short time before Mrs. Small's death Small had obtained a joint insurance policy on the lives of his wife and himself, naming as beneficiaries his two sons, the payment of \$20,000 to either in case of the death of the other.

BERLIN TO ALTER "MIND YOUR BUSINESS" NOTE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 26, via London.—The Telegraph says it has reason to believe that Germany's reply to Holland's note regarding the deportation of Belgian workmen is framed in such terms that it was unavoidable to communicate it to the Dutch parliament, and that the government has requested Berlin to alter the reply in such a manner that it may be presented to the parliament.

The Dutch government last month instructed its Berlin representative to notify Germany that the Belgian deportations had caused a painful impression in Holland. A Rotterdam despatch to the London Times on Dec. 5th said Germany had responded in words which were tantamount to saying "mind your own business."

Still another provision of the bill which is likely to meet opposition from the "county ring"—in counties where such organizations exist—is one that appointments of deputy sheriffs must hereafter be approved by the supreme judicial court. The present statutory authority for the appointment of deputies is found in section 208 of chapter 23 of the Revised Laws, which provides simply that "A sheriff may appoint deputies, who shall be sworn before performing any official act."

Each promotion is to be made from the next lowest grade. Existing vacancies will require four new rear admirals,

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PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE

President Wilson's note to the belligerent powers of Europe is the international sensation of the hour. It has caused immense rejoicing in Germany with the result that President Wilson is hailed as the man destined to bring peace.

On the other hand the Entente Allies do not know what to make of it. They are trying to fathom President Wilson's real motive in sending the note immediately after Germany had declared her willingness to make peace. Some prominent newspapers representing Entente sentiment hint that the president is acting in the interest of Germany, others that in so playing into Germany's hands, he is pulling the United States out of a hole in reference to the complications over the submarine warfare. It is also conjectured that the president wishing to take a leading part in the peace negotiations felt that if he waited any longer somebody might get ahead of him. Thus it appears that the letter has aroused much speculation, a very considerable portion of which is unfriendly.

In spite of this, however, the Allies will issue a reply which while disingenuous any displeasure they may feel, will still express their determination to hold firmly to their position as expressed by Premier Lloyd George of England, Premier Briand of France and General Trepoff of Russia.

The French press is more outspoken than the British in criticizing the note as inopportune and as placed under suspicion from its coincidence with the German declaration for peace. One of these papers cites a precedent for rejecting any intervention by recalling the reply of President Lincoln to overtures by France to terminate our Civil war. President Wilson, says this paper, cannot expect any other reply from France.

Russia has also resented the idea of any intervention with considerable feeling, so that although President Wilson's motives may have been of the most humane character, yet his appeal cannot stay the hand of the Allies at a time when they are preparing to force Germany into submission. Here is a caustic comment from a prominent Italian paper:

"Why should neutrals who kept quiet when the Germans dismembered Europe take a stand against war today when the Allies have well-founded hopes of defeating those responsible for so many iniquities? Their intervention now is an act involving partiality. Therefore, President Wilson's initiative, is not only inopportune, but unbecoming."

The demands of the Entente Allies are pretty well known and it is not likely that they will be reduced by any negotiations that can now be made possible. Briefly stated they are thus summarized:

"England asks the re-entrance of Germany within Germany's own boundaries, respect for oppressed nationalities, regard for international agreements and equitable damages for the ruin wrought. France has placed openly upon the carpet the recovery of Alsace and Lorraine.

"Italy, in the same manner, has defined her rights to the irredentist territories on the other side of the sea which are essential to tranquil life on the Adriatic. Russia wishes to be no longer swallowed in the Black Sea. The straits belong to her. Serbia, likewise, must have her territories and a free outlet. Rumania must rescue her sons suffering under the Magyar yoke."

In certain quarters in Europe among the Entente Allies of course there is a widespread tendency to believe that President Wilson would favor peace regardless of whether it were based upon justice and honor rather than upon German necessity. That view of the president's action unless counteracted cannot fail to do harm to American interests.

In the United States the underlying motives of the president's peace note are as much of a mystery as they are in foreign nations. The first explanation by Secretary Lansing that the note was prompted by the feeling that unless peace be soon declared, we may have to enter the war on our own account, was taken back and his final explanation made the matter no clearer. Despite all these untoward incidents however, it is to be hoped that the note will prove to be the first real step in the direction of peace in Europe and a peace that will be not merely a prolonged armistice, but one that will endure for ages.

SAFETY FIRST

Everybody in Lowell were fully alive to the simplest rules of Safety First, we should have an astonishingly large fall-off in the number of accidents, fatal and otherwise.

Most people imagine that motor and railroad accidents are most numerous, but although they are very much more frequent than they should be, they are not so numerous as to come from plain falls of all kinds. Children fall from windows, from verandas, from fire escapes, the latter especially when there is a desire to get them to fall, they climb trees and bushes and fall with greater frequency. They fall from front yards from stoves, wagons and so on, when they try to ride; they fall down elevators, they fall into spring wells if there is a possible chance, and they also fall into rivers and canals, sometimes being rescued and sometimes not. It is well remembered how a boy not long ago climbed a high water tower at Billerica, got dizzy, lost his balance and fell to his death. That is a sample of what boys will do in their unrestrained disregard of their safety.

The census of fatal accidents in the United States shows that there are more deaths from falls than from street and railroad accidents combined. When an accident of the latter kind occurs everybody hears of it, but if a child falls three stories from an open window while engaged in blowing soap bubbles, very few except those in the immediate neighborhood hear of the accident.

So much for falls, the falls that might be prevented by a little care on the part of the children; but it is useless to look to young children for care in regard to their own safety unless they are trained to it and sometimes not even then. When children are allowed to run where they please on the busy streets, nobody need be surprised if they meet with serious acci-

Companies that provide the insurance insist upon safety devices where these are necessary.

In this way manufacturers who would otherwise be negligent are forced to provide the necessary safeguards.

In order to have all the people ultimately trained in Safety First, it is necessary to start in the schools. When children are drilled in the principles of self-preservation, prevention and precaution against danger and disease, they will apply those principles in their daily occupations with the result that finally the number of occupational diseases and of accidents, fatal and otherwise, will be reduced to a minimum.

UNPRECEDENTED PROSPERITY

Never before in the history of the city were the local stores so besieged with business as on Saturday. Some stores were cleaned out of certain lines of stock early in the afternoon and the rush continued unabated until 10 o'clock at night. Without doubt the business done during the past week far exceeded that of any previous week in the city's history. Several stores had their show windows cleared of goods and put up "Thank You" signs indicative of gratitude to the public for the unprecedented patronage.

Early in the afternoon the meat markets got short of turkeys and there was a scramble all over the city not only for turkeys but for chickens, the next best substitute.

Whether the supply was below normal or the demand greater has been widely discussed. It is probable, however, that as a result of the railroad blockade and the restrictions recently imposed upon cold storage plants, the supply of turkeys was subnormal, while the demand owing to the increased prosperity of the working people exceeded the highest ever experienced at this season. Hence the scramble for turkeys and why so many hundreds of people were unable to get them at any price. It was certainly a prosperous Christmas for Lowell.

They Do Say

That a few stockings were left hanging last night.

That wishes for a happy new year are now in order.

That New Year's cards will now keep the postman busy.

That we don't feel better today, it's our own fault.

That there is but little time left to join the Thrift club.

That the carol singers were on the

Lowell Man Took Friend's Advice

Suffered For 15 Years With Stomach Trouble; Now Praising Plant Juice.

Plant Juice is now, in a brief time it has sprung into world-wide prominence. There is no known medicine so effective in combating those prevailing ailments which are sapping

the life and energies of city people, namely, stomach and nervous disorders. Many men and women who have suffered from stomach, liver and kidney trouble are now enjoying perfect health due to Plant Juice as their numerous testimonials show in recent interview. Mr. Hugh MacLean of No. 31 Brainerd Street, who is employed in one of the largest mills in the country tells how he was relieved of a bad case of stomach trouble by Plant Juice, caused Stanislaw to quiet down and the two officers were forced to fight a hard battle. Patrolman Kennedy was treated by City Physician Tighe at the police station after the arrest.

A GLAD SURPRISE

The employes of the North Billerica Woolen Co. were surprised Saturday when they were presented gold pieces by the mill owners. All employes who have been at the mill one year or longer were given five dollar gold pieces and those employed less than a year \$2.50.

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At the dinner hour, 600 pounds of turkey was served, with vegetables, and the 388 inmates had an abundance of the good things that came on Christmas day. There were many gifts from friends of the inmates, and also friends of the institution.

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Pape's Cold Compound" ends severe colds or gripe in few hours.

Relief comes instantly.

A dose taken every two hours usually cures it. Three doses are taken will end grippe misery and break up a severe cold either in the head, chest, body or limbs.

It promptly opens closed-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and sniffling! Ease your throbbing head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

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To Go On Taking "Fruit-a-tives" Because They Did Her Good

ROCKPORT, Jan. 14th, 1916.

"I suffered for many years with terrible Indigestion and Constipation. I had frequent dizzy spells and became greatly run down. A neighbor advised me to try "Fruit-a-tives". I did so and to the surprise of my doctor, I began to improve, and he advised me to go on with "Fruit-a-tives".

St. Peter's Orphanage

Two Christmas trees proved to be an attraction at St. Peter's orphanage in Stevens street; one for the girls and the other for the boys. Both trees were well laden with gifts. Santa Claus was also present during the day and distributed the gifts.

In the morning services were held in the chapel. Christmas hymns were sung after which the children trodled for an hour or more. Then came the dinner and it was one of the best dinners ever held at the orphanage. Turkey was the main item on the menu but then there were all the good things that went with it and every little one who was seated around the festive board had plenty to eat. An entertainment was held during the afternoon.

Ayer Home

Santa Claus also paid a visit to the Ayer Home in Pawtucket street. Kris Kringle arrived during the night and when the children arose in the morning they found an abundance of presents which he had left. The early part of the morning was devoted to the trying out of the different toys after which a Christmas production was given under the direction of Miss Violet Johnson, entitled "Mrs. Moreland's Christmas." Six of the older and six of the younger children were included in the presentation. There were Christmas songs, and a good time generally was enjoyed. The Christmas dinner included turkey and other good things. In the afternoon the children went to the Pawtucket Congregational church, where they received many gifts from the Sunday school teachers. The occasion was under the general direction of Mrs. E. J. Tarr. The children gave three rousing cheers for Frederick Ayer, the trustee Mrs. Tarr and the nurses.

Children's Home

The forty children at the Children's Home in Hosford square had a very enjoyable day. The presents were numerous and those who received sleds or skates tried them out during the day. Of course an excellent turkey dinner with all the fixins was served and it proved to be one of the best ever. Mrs. Ellen O'Leary, the matron, was well pleased with the contributions for anything that pleases the children cannot fail to please her. All day long the youngsters were kept busy either playing with their presents or enjoying the good things to eat.

Old Ladies' Home

There was a two days' celebration at the Old Ladies' Home in Fletcher street. Sunday afternoon Rev. A. R. Dilts and singers of the Calvary Baptist church called and held a Christmas service and in the evening carol singers from the Mt. Vernon Evangelical church rendered melodies outside the home. Later they entered the institution and entertained. Yesterday, as usual, a turkey dinner was served.

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That it doesn't really cost much to let somebody else know you are thinking of them.

That there are three eternal nightmares—the tax bill, the telephone bill and the light bill.

That President Wilson may not please the governments of Europe—but when did those governments like anything American?

Very Vicious Prisoner

Stanislaw Kacmarski, who was arrested at his home in Sullivan's court, off Fenwick street, Saturday afternoon, for drunkenness, proved a very vicious prisoner. He fought the arresting officers stubbornly and bit Patrolman James J. Kennedy on the hand twice and cut him in several places. Not even the presence of another policeman, Michael O'Neil, caused Stanislaw to quiet down and the two officers were forced to fight a hard battle. Patrolman Kennedy was treated by City Physician Tighe at the police station after the arrest.

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Chelmsford Street Hospital

The inmates of the Chelmsford street hospital had a thoroughly enjoyable time yesterday. A turkey dinner and excellent entertainment were provided.

Yesterday morning Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I. conducted a service at 7:30 o'clock and there was appropriate singing by Mrs. Charles Young, James E. Donnelly, John J. Dalton, William Gookin and Francis Burns. For the benefit of those unable to be present in the chapel, the singers went through the various wards and contributed many pleasing Christmas melodies.

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Chelmsford Street Hospital

The inmates of the Chelmsford street hospital enjoyed a roast pork dinner yesterday and during the afternoon there was an entertainment, phonographic selections playing a prominent part. The people were given the freedom of the corridors and the men enjoyed smoking.

Christmas Tree

Y.M.C.A. Hall Scene of Pleasant Gathering—Musical and Literary Program Given

The hall of the Young Men's Catholic Institute in Stackpole street was the scene of festivity yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the annual Christmas tree. Members and friends to the number of about 300 were present and the affair proved to be one of the best ever conducted by this popular organization.

Frank McMartin made an ideal Santa Claus and during the course of the afternoon a musical and literary program was carried out, the program being as follows:

Piano solo, Richard Carlin; songs, Warren Kane, Thomas Carlin, William Morse, Thomas Kelley, Frank McMartin, Joseph Wedge, John Dalton, George Lynch, William Gookin, John Burrows and Andrew Doyle; piano solo, James Gookin of Boston. James Gookin was the accompanist.

Charles Haynes Dead

Charles C. Haynes, one of the foremen at the Federal Shoe Co. was struck by a心臟病 in Elmhurst avenue, New York, Saturday, and died in a hospital about an hour later. He was about 50 years of age and left this city on Friday to visit his son who is a professor in an Iowa university. He was then to go to Florida for a short vacation.

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LADY LOOKABOUT

Humor in Lowell is not dead, nor is it sleep, and just because Billy Sunday double-crossed the "Hallelujah" band, it does not follow that the Hallelujah banders are worshipping. Last Saturday morning the walking was very slippery. A certain liquor dealer, not a thousand miles from the Lower

MERCHANTS HAD BIG CHRISTMAS TRADE

Local merchants stated that business in Lowell during Christmas week was the best they have ever experienced and in several instances it was impossible to supply the demand. This was particularly true of the demand for turkey.

The department and five and ten-cent stores did a thriving business all week, and especially Saturday, while the meat and provision dealers had all they could attend to.

It is said that one of the local five and ten-cent stores was forced to close its doors early Saturday evening on account of being practically sold out. Delivery wagons in numerous lines were kept busy until the wee hours Sunday morning, and in many instances extra trips were made Sunday forenoon.

The meat markets report an extraordinary business and one butcher stated this morning he believes he could have sold a ton of turkey Saturday. The demand for turkey was great and it is figured that Friday and Saturday were banner days for the sale of birds. Saturday evening there was not a store in Lowell with a turkey unsold and before the evening was over most of the stores had been cleaned out of their turkeys, chickens and fowls and in many places pork could not be purchased. A local dealer telephoned to Boston Friday afternoon and again Saturday for turkeys, but was unable to get any, the Boston market having also been sold out. Friday evening fancy turkey was selling for 40 cents a pound and Saturday

people did not bother with prices providing they could get what they were after.

COST OF MONKEYS GONE UP ON ACCOUNT OF WAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Like food, white paper and shoe prices, the cost of monkeys has gone up and it was disclosed today that pathological experiments being conducted by the public health service are in danger of being seriously hampered by scarcity of available simians. Recently the service needed a dozen monkeys to be inoculated with disease germs in its hygienic laboratory but could get only six and had to pay \$15 each, although a little more than a year ago they were more plentiful at \$8 a head.

Officials attribute the scarcity to the closing by the war of the world's principal wild animal market at Hamburg, Germany.

MEETING TO CONSIDER WAR TIME PROBLEMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—War time problems will be among those considered at the United States chamber of commerce's annual meeting here beginning Jan. 31. It is expected that the attendance will be the largest in the history of the organization.

The railroad situation, national defense, daylight saving and other important questions will be discussed at the meeting. Results of a referendum now being taken by the chamber among its affiliated organizations on the railroad problem, particularly the prevention of strikes and lockouts, also will be announced.

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\$20,000 LOSS BY FIRE AT WOONSOCKET, R. I.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Dec. 26.—Fire, which started in the basement near the boiler, this morning at 7 o'clock, caused between \$10,000 and \$20,000 damage, largely by smoke and water to stock on three floors of the Morse-Brooks \$10 and \$15 suit shops on Main street. The fire was in progress an hour before it was brought under control.

ON RUSSIAN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wire from SWITZERLAND—Regarding military operations along the Russian front, today's statement of army headquarters reads:

Front of Prince Leopold: On the lower Stakhan the Russian artillery was more active than usual. Northwest of Lutsk an enterprise conducted by German detachments resulted in the bringing in of 16 prisoners."

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BRITISH PLAN TO ARM ALL VESSELS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—It is understood that under the new Lloyd George plan for controlling British shipping the White Star and Cunard liners will operate between Liverpool and Halifax instead of coming on to New York and will be armed with sixteen guns fore and aft.

In addition to the protection afforded by the guns there will be fast cruisers in certain positions which will be known to the commanders of the liners, who will be provided with special signals to enable them to call for assistance if they are attacked.

The cargoes will be taken from New York and Boston in small steamships to Halifax, where the freight will be transshipped on board the big steamships waiting to convey it to Liverpool or London. Passengers will travel by train.

The expense of transshipping the freight and conveying it to Halifax will be very heavy, but it will have to be done in order to make certain that the government will get sufficient provisions for the people of Great Britain and for the army of 2,000,000 men in France and Flanders.

Reports received from Portsmouth, Eng., indicate that the Germans have been turning our submarines recently at the rate of three to five a week, and that they will endeavor to put a dozen of these undersized craft around the British Isles in January to cut off all supplies.

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BANK OF ENGLAND TO ACT FOR U.S. RESERVE BANKS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The government yesterday took its first formal step through the federal reserve board, looking to the establishment of financial connections abroad through which it hopes to strengthen the position of the United States as a world banker and to maintain the American dollar as the standard of exchange.

Under a section of the federal reserve act, the board authorized the appointment of the Bank of England as foreign correspondent of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and announced that the 11 other reserve banks might participate in the agency relations.

Connections with other foreign governmental institutions, such as the Bank of France, are foreshadowed, officials say, by yesterday's action. The Bank of England is the first foreign correspondent whose appointment has

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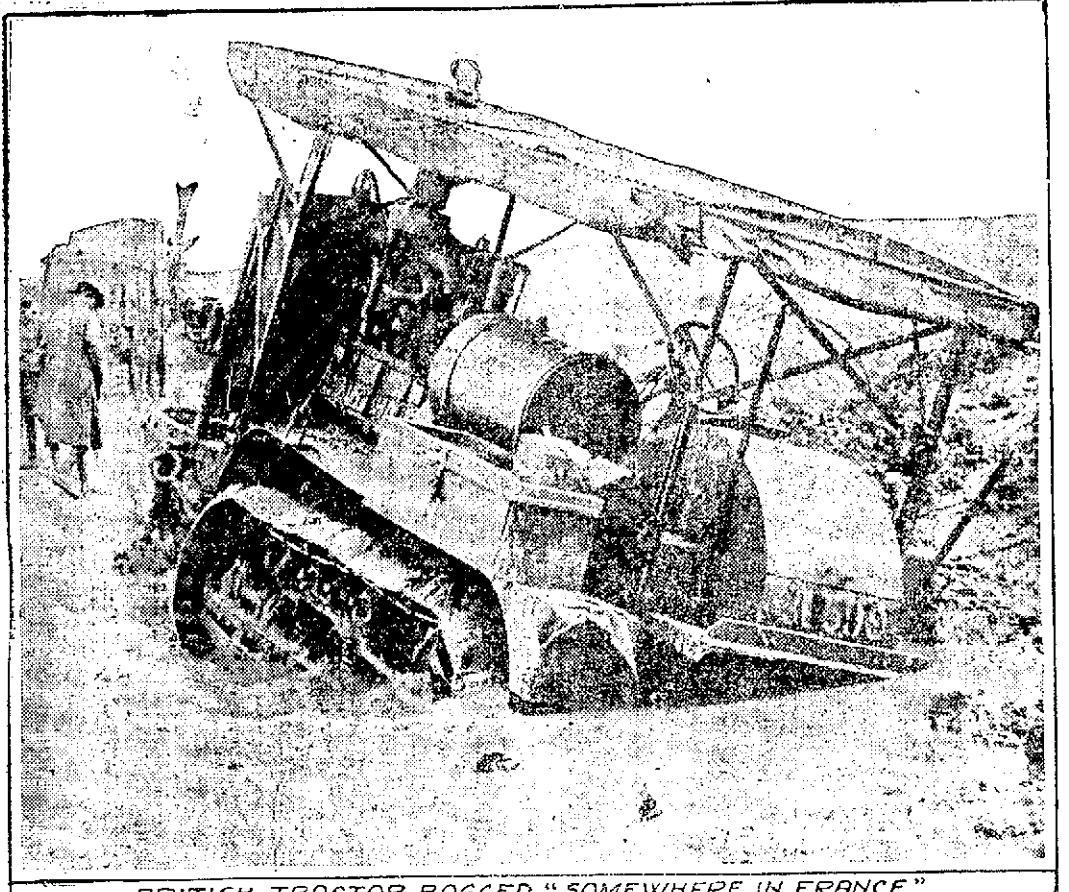
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"YOUNG JAKE" SCHAEFER PICKED BY EXPERTS TO SUCCEED HOPPE



"IT'S THE BLOOMIN' MUD WOT HINDERS US," SAYS TOMMY, STUCK "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"



BRITISH TRACTOR BOGGED "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"

"It ain't the bloomin' Germans wot's preventin' us from going forward," said a British private to an American correspondent. "It's the sticky mud."

The mud is shared by the Germans, although they do not agree, of course, in the way of a British advance. The mud is a hindrance to the movement of supplies, guns, etc., as well as of men, as is evidenced by the picture reproduced herewith of a British army tractor stuck in the mud "somewhere in France."

SLEEPYTIME TALES

TED'S MISER

Once upon a time Ted was given a double-runner. It was painted red, had red leather cushions and two nice red steering ropes. One day, after school, Ted started to take his double-runner out of the shed when the door opened and his father called: "Ted, Ted, I came home early to go coasting with you as I promised. How about it?" Ted was delighted and off they started. Ted holding one rope and his father the other, up to the bleachers.

When they reached the top they found they were the only ones there and they were soon ready for the start. "Do you want to stop, father?" asked Ted. "No, go ahead and I'll give it a good start," said his father and in a second they were whizzing down the hill. Ted hadn't stopped, but once or twice before, and the two ropes bothered him quite a little so that most of the way down they were zigzagging from one side to the other and just barely managed to reach the bottom without upsetting.

The next trip was much better and Ted was rapidly getting confidence and skill as a tobogganer. When they reached the bottom for the fourth time Ted said: "I wish mother and sister would come and coast with us. Let's

go and ask them." Father said he would take the sled up the hill while Ted ran home and asked the rest of the family to come and enjoy the fun and in a short time they were all trudging up the hill.

Father gave the sled a big push and they were whizzing down the hill like lightning. After two or three trips father said he thought it was about time for him to stop and Ted turned to push. They all tacked themselves to the sled and started off in the snow, but only for a little way, for just then the sled began to wobble and suddenly overturned in a big snow bank.

How they all laughed at father as they hauled off the snow, but they wouldn't let father stop any more and voted that they would rather trust Ted after all.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

MAIL CARRIER WELCOME FIGURE TO SOLDIERS

Bringing welcome news from home, the red cross nurses in many of the European armies often act as messengers and mail carriers. Their services



RUSSIAN RED CROSS NURSE DELIVERS HOLIDAY MAIL

are especially appreciated at holiday time, when absence from home weighs most heavily on the soldiers' spirits. The woman in the picture is a Russian red cross nurse bearing a load of holiday mail for the soldiers.

TWO BURNED IN BROOKLYN

Oliver K. Buckley, 86, and Frank H. Welch, 58, die at Christmas Tree Celebration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Oliver K. Buckley, 86 years old, and his son Frank H. Welch, 58 years old, were burned to death last night in Buckley's home in Brooklyn, in a fire which started among decorations for a Christmas celebration in the parlor of the house.

XMAS EXERCISES AT THE HOSPITALS

The feast of Christmas was observed in a most fitting manner at St. John's hospital, where the sisters in charge did everything possible to make those confined there happy and cheerful throughout the holidays. During the past week the nurses and other attaches, under the direction of the Sisters of Charity, decorated every room of the institution with greenery, cut flowers, etc. A Christmas tree, loaded with gifts, was placed in position in each corridor, and when the time arrived for the distribution of gifts, all assembled around their respective trees. While there were gifts for all, the children were especially well remembered. The day was one of real enjoyment, and all those who had assisted in any way in making the festivity a pleasant one were well repaid for their efforts; for the appreciation manifested by patients old and young, showed plainly enough that the day had been made brighter for them and that the Christmas cheer helped them to forget their ailments and troubles.

Corporation Hospital
Sunday afternoon at the Lowell Corporation hospital there was music by the choir of St. Anne's church and the Christmas season was made as happy as possible for the inmates, special attention being paid to the children. There were little presents, donations and other things that helped to swell the tide of Christmas cheer.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

The Christmas spirit of good cheer

THE FRENCH MAID SAYS

HOUSEWORK FOR HEALTH

"Oh dear, how I hate housework!" moaned Marjorie to her constant friend, the French maid. "I wish it had never been invented or it could be made more interesting."

"It can be," comforted Marie, "if you will cease to consider it as housework and think of it as exercise which is making you well and better looking even than you are now. If the mind is active while the body is in action, there is sure to be added interest in the task in hand, better results and at the same time mental and physical benefits."

"The little exertion necessary to accomplish the work at hand will do lots toward improving both work and worker. Such light tasks as bed making, sweeping and dusting can be performed in such a way as to develop muscle, improve circulation and generally the health."

"Taking dusting, for instance, when down on the knees there is considerable muscle action taking in nearly the whole body. The weight will fall on the knees and one arm while the other is occupied with dusting. While one arm is doing practically all the work, if the attention is given to the work in hand, not only the hand and arm used in dusting is being benefited but also the rest of the body, which is under certain nervous control."

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RUSSIAN PAPER'S VIEWS
ON PEACE PROPOSALS

PETROGRAD, Dec. 24, via London, Dec. 26 (Delayed)—Discussing the forthcoming reply to the peace proposals, the Reich says:

"The official reply cannot state that the entente allies aim to bring the Turkish empire to an end in order to remove forever German aims of world dominion, or that the allies will demand reorganization of Austria-Hungary in order to make impossible the fulfillment of German ideas regarding central Europe which form the first step of their program for world power. Diplomacy cannot suggest these terms until the allies have had the foundation for success of their present military tasks. But by saying less diplomacy would acknowledge the result of the war unsuccessful for the allies. Italy has not occupied Trieste, France has not created a firm frontier along the Rhine. England has not destroyed the German fleet, nor have the allies as a whole succeeded in crippling the German land forces; and therefore there are no guarantees for the future in national relations which will free the world from the oppression of militarism."

The Reich says that even if Germany should make the unexpected concession of relinquishing territorial gain and restoring ante-bellum conditions the aims of the allies would not be fulfilled and that the only terms acceptable to Russia would be those dictated by herself and her allies.

ITALY CALLS NEW CLASS
TO THE COLORS

ROME, Dec. 25, via Paris, Dec. 26.—The feeling of peace in the air has not affected in the slightest measure Italy's military activity. The new class, those born in 1898, has been called to report to the colors Jan. 1, which will considerably increase the contingents available for the front, while 2500 factories are running day and night turning out arms and munitions.

From the peaks of Trentino to the shores of the Adriatic Christmas passed in vigilant watching varied in some spots by sudden attacks, notwithstanding fearful weather conditions. Snow in the mountains is 15 feet deep.

ENGLISH TAKE 1100
TURKS IN EGYPT

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Following up their victory against the Turks in the capture of El Arish, 90 miles east of the Suez canal, the British forces in Egypt are pushing toward the frontier of Palestine, and captured a strong Turkish position at Maghdudah, 20 miles to the southwest of El Arish, taking some 1100 prisoners, two guns and quantities of war material, the war office announced yesterday.

NATHAN STRAUSS HEAD
OF JEWS' COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—After a heated meeting here last night of the executive committee of 110 for an American-Jewish congress, Nathan Straus of this city was elected permanent chairman as a compromise candidate.

Washington was chosen as the place for the holding of the congress. The date probably will not be later than May 1st next, this being left to an administrative committee.

Besides Mr. Straus, the permanent officers of the committee are Vice-Chairman Harry Cutler, Harry Farnsworth, Morris Hilquit, Isaac Horowitz, Andy Leon Sanders; treasurer, Adolph Lewensohn; executive secre-

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COLLINS, THE FLORIST—Flowers for weddings, receptions, parties, etc. 12 Gorham st. Tel. 572.

FURNITURE

HOUSEHOLD GOODS, stoves, beds, mattresses, rugs. New goods. Cash or credit. Price, 150 Middlesex st.

GROCERIES

ITALIAN GROCERIES—Imported dried fruits, olive oil and macaroni. Joe and Susie Carpenter, 128 Gorham street.

LOST AND FOUND

WILL THE PARTIES who found a box of change at corner of Market and Dutton sts. call Mr. Market st.

FRENCH PIGGY DOG

all white. Found in a piggy bank. Return to 128 Gorham st. and receive reward. Tel. 250-M.

HORSE BLANKET AND OVERCOAT

Autographed. Return to Newhall or Chambers st. Binder telephone 2541-M.

AUTOMOBILE IRON

With double track. Hit attached. Lost between High st. and Ledgeview ave. Thurs. Even. Return to Dr. McAdams, 321 High st.

SUM OF MONEY LOST

Wednesday, consisting of gold pieces and bills. Return to 12 Pine st. or telephone 2521-M. Reward.

HELP WANTED

HORN, Autographed. Return to 164 Jewett st.

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FOOD

At McDonald's, the Fresh Street, the most acceptable present you can find for the money.

WE HAVE SEVERAL HUNDRED BEAUTIFUL

EXHIBITS—the usual low prices, from \$1 to \$2.50 each. Come early and get one while they last.

FOR SALE

PUPPIES for sale for Christmas. Striped beige, mounds. 36 Wilder st. Tel. 252-A.

3000 GRD. DAY

for sale. In town. 57 sq. room house with bath rent for \$10 and \$11 monthly. Apply Middlesex Service Bureau, 398 Middlesex st. Tel. 4110. Will be open tonight from 7 to 9.

JANITOR

wanted at Kinsman, Call for interview. 20 Chestnut st.

MAN

wanted for washroom. Apply 101 Laundry, 128 Cambridge st.

COTTON MILL HELP

wanted for cotton mill. 5 to 7 o'clock at Middlesex Service Bureau, 398 Middlesex st. Tel. 4110. Will be open tonight from 7 to 9.

MAN

wanted for power work. 1/2-grd. office. Binder, 128.

STOKE

and three-room tenement, 121 Concord st. M. Quigley, 41 Royal st. Tel.

3/4-ROOM TENEMENT

to let. 124 Agawam st. Tel. 251.

TENEMENT TO LET

3 rooms, bath, laundry. Steam heat, spotless. Apply 11 Powers st.

LARGE CORNER STORE

to let, at 62 Middlesex st. Rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5145.

OFFICE

Large office, 34 by 14 feet, on the second floor of 121 Harrington st. Tel. 251. Rent \$100. Good location.

POSITION

to fill a desirable tenant.

RENT

will be rented or leased at a very reasonable rent. Apply to Building Manager, 161 Sun Bldg.

SPECIAL NOTICES

PASSENGER LIMOUSINE for hire for weddings, receptions, etc. Inquire for first visit. Very reasonable.

AS WONDERFUL

as the stars are great planes, dirigibles, etc. Your car and your save \$3. Bay window and you lose.

DIAMOND RINGS

\$25 up. Diamond ladies watches, \$10 up. Watchmen ladies watches, \$10 up. Bracelet watches, \$11 up. \$2 up. Ruby and sapphire rings, \$1 to \$15. High rent makes high prices. My car is low, no extra to pay. 21 Powers st. Established 7 years.

POPE'S PEACE PLEA

ROME, Dec. 25, via Paris, Dec. 26. Pope Benedict made a plan for peace under the address of the Christmas reception to the sacred college. Referring to the message of Bethlehem, the pope said that good will amongst men was the essential condition toward obtaining that just and durable peace which must put an end to the horrors of the present war.

THE POPE

urged these in answer to bear the voice of the sacred college appealing to them to arrest the destruction of the peoples and to open their ears to the admonition of the Father of the Christian family seeking to pave the way to justice and peace.

DRIFT OF SNOW ON CAR

TRACK WAS MAN'S BODY

LEXINGTON

Dec. 26. Covered by

falling snow as he lay senseless

across the tracks where he had fallen

from exhaustion several hours before.

It is believed Asa Johnson, aged 46, of Lexington, was struck by the first elec-

trocuted along Bedford street,

North Lexington, before daylight yes-

terday morning and killed. The snow

had so covered the body that the mo-

DRESSMAKING

LEARN TO MAKE your own clothes in a small cost. Patterns made Bookbinders School, 218 Bradley bldg.

DRESSMAKING

and millinery. Mrs. A. E. Sprague, 42 Chafflour bldg.

DRESS PLAITING

P. R. KIRSCHNER, 226 Merrimack st., Lowell, Mass. Dress plaiting and buttons. Established 1887.

DYEING AND CLEANSING

SLICES pressed and cleaned. \$1.50 monthly contracts. Tailoring Sanitary Service, 113 Gorham st. Tel. 3619.

ELECTRIC SHOP

GLORIA INVERTED GAS LIGHTS, \$1.11. Regular price \$1.75. Electric Shop, 120 Central st., 111 Dutton st. Tel. 1517-W.

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Fair tonight; Wednesday increasing cloudiness, probably snow.

ESTABLISHED 1878

FORMIDABLE FLEET OF ALLIED WARSHIPS IN AMERICAN WATERS

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The presence on this side of the Atlantic of a formidable fleet of allied warships was indicated definitely today. The vessels are known officially as commerce protectors. They are heavily armed and disguised. For obvious reasons their exact disposition is not revealed, but the arrival recently in American waters of this newest unit of the British and French admiralties was made known from a source that hardly can be mistaken.

For some days skippers of trans-Atlantic and coastwise steamers have been bringing to New England ports reports of strange appearing craft which were making their way that were making their way, and could not be approached. They steered a vagrant course, and were described variously as of the fashion of mercantile transports, light cruisers and even of submarines. Pieced together, these reports fitted in with the suspicion, now apparently confirmed, of shipping men.

It is said that the fleet arrived safely at Halifax, N. S., a few days ago, but nothing then became known generally about it because of the strict censorship of all telegraphic matter originating in the provinces, and of such mail

matter as is suspected of containing intelligence of value to enemies of the allies.

The commerce protectors are described as large and powerful, but capable of fair speed. They were designed, it is said, to meet the German U-boats, and in anticipation of an imminent raid of the Canadian coast similar to that made by the U-53 off Nantucket on Oct. 8. At that time shipping men figured that there was not an allied warship within 500 miles of the spot that Capt. Ulans Rose deliberately selected in which to operate. The British admiralty, it is said, determined to make impossible another such raid, and the fleet of commerce protectors was the fruition of the plan then formulated.

The arrival of the disguised warships was followed almost immediately with the announcement by the British premier, Lloyd George, of the plan for the nationalization of British shipping. It is understood that the commerce protectors will not only lie in wait for submarines at strategic points, but that they have been provided in sufficient number to act as convoys for merchant vessels throughout the zones in which under seas boats would be most likely to operate.

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies—Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey—today replied to the note of President Wilson in which he asked that the belligerent nations state the aims for which they were fighting.

The proposal is made by the central powers that a conference of the delegates of all the belligerents be held immediately in a neutral city. The task of preventing future wars, the official statement says, can be begun only after the end of the present struggle.

REPLY PROPOSES IMMEDIATE MEETING OF BELLIGERENTS TO DISCUSS PEACE

Note Says Task of Preventing Future Wars Can be Begun Only After End of Present Struggle

NO CHRISTMAS CHEER AT POLICE STATION

The police station was one of the city's sad spots over the Christmas holidays. There was good cheer in the street and elsewhere, but the unfortunate who fell into the police net had nothing but a merry Christmas.

One by one the prisoners stepped up to the little worn spot in front of the keeper's desk Saturday night, Sunday and Christmas day till 53 names were

written on the blotter as the result of the continuance of the work of the police over the holidays.

Probation Officer Slattery made happy the homes of some of the unfortunate by visiting the station yesterday morning and releasing 20 under the elimination process which allows first offenders to go their way without confinement.

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activity of the artillery increased. Advances by strong British patrols were repeatedly repulsed.

ON MACEDONIAN FRONT

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Following is the official announcement of today respecting the Macedonian campaign:

"There is nothing to report aside from artillery fighting, which continues in the Cerne bend and in the region of Monastir."

GREAT RUSSIAN LOSSES

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville.—An official statement issued at the Turkish army headquarters reprimanding operations on the Persian and Tigris fronts says that north of Hamadan Russian efforts of attack by surprise were repulsed with great Russian losses.

2000 TURKS CAPTURED

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Detailing the capture of the strong Turkish position at Maghdabah, 20 miles southeast of El Arish and ninety miles east of the Suez canal, a British war office announcement issued today says that virtually the entire Turkish force of about 2000 men was destroyed.

ON ITALIAN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville.—The artillery fire was more active temporarily on the Carse plateau, says the official Austrian report of Dec. 24 from the Italian front.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville.—Today's army headquarters statement regarding operations on the Franco-Belgian front is as follows:

"Western front: In some sectors of the Ypres front, on both sides of La Bassée canal and west of Lens, the

French and Belgian troops have

reached positions which are

now being consolidated.

"Central front: The battle of

the Aisne has been decided in

favor of the French."

"Eastern front: The battle of

the Somme has been decided in

favor of the French."

"South front: The battle of the

Pyrenees has been decided in

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"North front: The battle of the

Marne has been decided in

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"Dardanelles front: The battle of

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"Africa: The battle of the

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INDEMNITY FOR PAST AND SECURITY FOR FUTURE BRITAIN'S PEACE TERMS

PARIS, Dec. 26.—In addresses at the national congress of the French socialist party, Arthur Henderson, the British minister and G. H. Roberts, member of the British parliament, both affirmed, amidst enthusiastic cheers, that the war must be fought out until full guarantees have been obtained for a lasting peace.

"In my opinion," said Mr. Henderson, "if France and ourselves were to enter into negotiations under existing conditions we should be nations in bondage. Nothing less than that is the price our enemies would exact for peace today."

Emile Vandervelde, the Belgian socialist leader said:

"Our comrades who have remained in Belgium, bear up under German domination with admirable firmness. Nothing but encouragement reaches us from them. So it would seem that the persons most hostile to war are those who benefit from it."

Mr. Vandervelde also declared the struggle must be carried on until Belgium and Serbia are delivered and 'Caesarism' laid low."

In his speech Mr. Henderson said:

"In my opinion we have now reached the most dangerous and difficult period of the war. During the next few months the democracies of England and France are going to be tested as never before. Do not misunderstand me. I do not mean that the stress and strain of fighting in the field will be more severe, although I do not ignore such a possibility. But the danger is of an entirely different character.

"Our stupendous losses, our unprecedented sacrifices, our horrors of war, our love of peace, may lead us to mortgage the future. With such awful experiences we are apt to forget the great moral, eternal principles and ideals for which we entered the struggle. We are not only fighting a negative action against material forces which are highly organized, but we are engaged in a great spiritual conflict upon the result of which depends all our great ideals. If we enter into negotiations now we do so when Germany is not repentant for her wrongdoing and is

glorifying in the success of her military efforts—in fact, in the victory of German imperialism. In my opinion, if France and ourselves were to enter into negotiations under existing conditions with such a spirit, we should be nations in bondage. Nothing less than that the world would expect for peace today."

"I cannot tell you how many months and what sacrifice stand between us and victory. But I can tell you what will be the rewards of victory if we are true to ourselves. We shall have asserted the rights of nations, large or small, to live their own lives undisturbed by the ambitions of powerful neighbors. We shall have enacted such preparation for wrongs done by this war as will be a warning to aggressors for all time to come. We shall have laid the foundations of that league of nations, beginning with those who have fought and suffered at our side, which will deliver Europe and the world from the terror of war."

"The choice today is between an untimely peace with years of fear and a few months of suffering with lasting peace. Taking into consideration all the consequences of our decision, I say that now, as in August, 1914, both nations are presented with the choice as between honor and infamy. The choice is more sacred now, as the cause has been sealed in the blood of our heroes dead. And Britain feels that to make peace now, to think of peace at any time with less than full indemnity for the past and full security for the future, would be to desert our allies and betray the hopes of freedom throughout the world."

"We hate war. It is brutal, the negation of everything for which we stand. Therefore, we must prevent its recurrence so far as is in our power. We desire to see the democracies of the world free to progress to their highest ideals. To accomplish this we must stand together for the destruction of militarism, the vindication of national right and liberty, the punishment of national wrong. Be the nations large or small they must be free."

FUNERALS

CUNNINGHAM—The funeral of James Cunningham will take place Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at Park Avenue, Dracut. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

GARLAND—The funeral of Peter Grimes will take place Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of his parents, Peter and Sarah, 121 Willis street. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Brilliant programs were the order of the day in Protestant churches Sunday. The churches were beautifully decorated and the Christmas spirit was made manifest everywhere. The weather was ideal and there were large congregations at all of the churches. Sunday schools in many of the churches gave their annual Christmas concert.

PAGE STREET CHURCH

The annual Christmas concert by the Sunday school of the Page Street Baptist church was held Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the church auditorium. The service was largely attended and the program was most enjoyable. In addition to special selections by the church quartet, the children presented the following program:

Processional
Song by school, Hail to the King
Welcome, May Cogswell
Song by school, Ring the Christmas Bells
Responsive Reading
Prayer

Song by school, Long Ago the Shepherds Watching
Recitation, Ernest Wilson and Russell Durrell
Recitation, Ruth Chase

Song by school, Heaven and Earth
With Jubilation Ring
Recitation, By Beginners Class

Song by Marion Chase

Recitation, When I'm a Man

Song by school, Welcome to the Mighty Prince of Peace

Offering Quartet, Slumbering in a Lowly Manger

Recitation, The Star of Bethlehem

Song by Miss Kittredge's class

Recitation, The Day of Days

William Henry Phillips

Vocal solo, There Were Shepherds

(Violin Obligate, Miss Mildred Brennan)

Recitation, Mrs. Crosby's Class

Song by Primary Class

Missa Orpha Hutchinson

Song by school, The Wondrous Story

Recitation, From Mr. Batchelder's Class

Song by school, Bright Star of Hope

Recitation, Miss Nelda Cross

Song by school, Hail the Savior of Men

Remarks by Pastor

Tableau, Holy Night

Benediction

Pawtucket Church

Decorations of laurel, wreaths, fir trees and cut flowers made a seasonable setting for the Christmas services at the Pawtucket church Sunday. Rev. Arthur G. Lyon's sermon was on "The Desire of the Nations" and emphasized the fact that the care of children, the advancement of womanhood, the progress of nations may all be traced to the influence of the Christ child at Bethlehem. The church choir gave a fine program of music. Miss Florence E. Milner and Miss Belle F. Hutchinson taking the solo numbers. The junior choir also sang a carol very effectively.

In the evening the church was filled for the concert by the Sunday school.

HIGHLAND CONGREGATIONAL

The special service of interest at the Highland Congregational church was given at 5 p.m. Sunday, when the children presented their annual Christmas service. There were carols and recitations and a large congregation took a deep interest in the program. The platform was decorated with Christmas trees, brilliantly lighted with colored incandescent lamps.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D.D., preached on "What Christmas Teaches," at the First Universalist church, Sunday morning. The musical portion of the service was in keeping with the subject. Miss Kathleen Wright gave violin solos, and there was singing by the quartet of the church, consisting of Mrs. Nettie L. Roberts, contralto; Mrs. Winifred Flagg Symonds, soprano; Fred Booth, tenor, and Harry Needham, bass. Mrs. Helen C. Taylor was organist and director. Decorations of the church were in holly and laurel, with beautiful flowers, including poinsettias.

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At 6:30 a carol, "The Star of the East," was given by the chorus choir, with the following soloists: Soprano, Miss Lillian Powers; contralto, Mrs. Eva Stobe; tenor, Albert Whitworth; bass, Arthur Galley. Miss Ella Leona Gale at the organ.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

The cantata, "Blessed Is He That Cometh," was sung by members of

the Sunday school at St. Paul's N.E. church Sunday night. Peter Pickens, chorister, had general charge of the production, with Mrs. C. F. Richardson supervising the junior participants. Instrumental music, accompanying the singers was given by Charles V. Barker, organist, and Messrs. Booth and Parkhurst, on the violin and cornet. The beautiful music was much appreciated by a very large congregation. The participants were: "Mary," Marion Davis; "King Herod," Roscoe Drew; rabbi, Frank Orelli; Jerusalem girls, Mildred McKewin, Mildred Rugg, Etta McKeown, Doris Senior, Louise Drew; shepherds, Alfred Clough, David Hunt, Earl Clegg, Earl Startzman and Harry Whatmough; three wise men, D. W. Hinckley, Fred Brooks and George Scarritt; "Joseph," Harry Whatmough; children of the shepherds, Esther Goldstein, Ruth Gulestein, Charlotte Snow, Robert Drew and David Skinner. The committee having general charge of the cantata consisted of Mrs. Earl C. Hunt and Mrs. Berryman F. Brunn. Christmas tree exercises were held at the church in the evening. Decorations of holly, mistletoe and evergreen emphasized in a happy way the significance of the day.

FIRST UNITARIAN

Christmas red and green beautified the pulpit and platform of the First Unitarian church Sunday. At the morning service there was a program of Christmas music, and the minister, Rev. A. R. Hussey, preached on "The Word Made Flesh." A Sunday school service was held in the vestry at noon with carol singing and speaking by the different classes.

A vesper service was held at 4:30, with special music, and Mr. Hussey preached on "Crowded Out," the theme being the birth of the Savior in a manger, because there was "no room at the inn." The music at this service was particularly beautiful, the organist playing Handel's "Pastoral Symphony" and Mrs. Leahy and Mrs. Spalding singing the solo, "He Shall Feed His Flock" and "Come Unto Him" from "The Messiah."

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

There was inspiring music and an appropriate sermon at the First Baptist church. At 6 o'clock Wilfred Kershaw, organist, gave an excellent recital, consisting of "O, Thou That Testest," by Handel; "Christmas Meditation" by Vincent D'Indy; and "Offertorio" by Batiste. The service opened with the processional "Joy to the World" by Handel, and the choral number "And There Were Shepherds" by Wilson. The quartet sang "The Heavenly Lullaby" and later the famous "Hallelujah" chorus from "The Messiah" was sung with splendid vim by the chorus of the church. Rev. Arthur Crawley Archibald, pastor, preached on the theme, "Mary, the Mother of Our Lord." This was the fifth sermon in the series based upon striking sayings by Billy Sunday. "Home is on the same level as your women, and the city on a level with your homes."

CENTRALVILLE METHODIST

Miss Sadie Munson, Miss Grace Cluer and Charles B. Garmon constituted the committee in charge of the Sunday school Christmas concert at the Centralville M. E. church Sunday evening. The program:

Prelude: processional; welcome Dorothy Leith; recitation, "Christians;" "A Small Piece"; George Anderson; "Little Lights"; Faith Burke; Rena Nichols; Emma Chisholm; song, "He Is Come"; school; Scripture reading; prayer; anthem, "Radiant Star"; choir; recitation, "Auntie's Christmas Letters"; May Walker; recitation, "Merry Christmas"; Mother Ethel Hughes; recitation, "A Glorious Day"; Carroll Thurston; song, "Christ Is Born"; school; collection; recitation, "A Christmas Legend"; Caroline Schultz; primary song; recitation, "On Jesus' Birthday"; Ethelma Johnson, Rose Denney, Myrtle Cushing, Mabel Farnham; solo; "Christmas in Other Lands"; Ralph Trevors, Ralph Wilson, Chester Henderson, Arthur Doyer, Wayne Hartwell; recitation, "Hail the King"; Herman Joscelyn, Lawrence Curtis, Raymond Trevors, John W. White, and Carl Cushing; Schultz, Frank Nuttall, Corinne Standhope; song, "Keep the Bells of Christmas Ringing"; school; recitation, "I Have a Birthday"; Lottin Trevors; recitation, "Melodies of Christmas"; Doris McElroy, Belle Wiggin, Ruby McElroy, Helen Hartley, Pauline Johnson; King Is Born; Herbert Hope and Donald Chisholm; recitation, "The Christmas Story"; Emma Curtis, Lillian Trevors, Alberta Curtis, Alta Bray; recitation, "The Sweetest Story"; Ruth Morse; song, Kindergarten

On Christmas Day; Miss Chapman's Class

Hush-a-Bye Baby; Mildred and Olive Coombs

Exercise, I Look Up at the Pretty Stars;

May Willis

Christmas Time and Christmas Light;

Miss Patterson's Class

Star of the Morning;

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Miss Lockhart's Class

On Through the Shadows;

Barbara Class and School

Christmas Gifts;

Miss Taylor's Class

Mary Tells the Children

That Shall Never Cease;

Boys' semi-chorus and school

A Christmas Prayer;

Miss Leach's Class

The World-Wide Song;

School

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PHINNEY BOYLE LOSES COUTURE WINS FROM DECISION TO HANSEN CROWE IN GOOD RACE

Phinney Boyle of this city lost the decision to Larry Hansen of New York at the Unity Cycl club, Lawrence, yesterday afternoon, in a whirlwind bout which went the scheduled 12 rounds. Hansen deserved the verdict round. Boyle with his left during the early stages of the mill. When he backed Phinney to the ropes he showed bunches of all descriptions of his arms. There were no knockdowns during the bout or nothing that resembled one. Both men fought at top speed all through the fight and many of the rallies had the members standing on their seats during the excitement caused by the men in the ring.

All were satisfied with the decision except a few biased fans from Lowell. Walter Bartlett of Lawrence nosed Billy Carney of New Bedford out of the decision in a fast hard hitting contest. Carney was sent to the floor in the seventh with a straight right which Bartlett landed on his jaw but he recovered and was fighting furiously at the finish. This was a great battle from a spectators' viewpoint for both boys slugger from start to finish.

YALE AND BURKE MEET NEBES AND MOFFATT

An attraction, which should prove one of the best ever seen in this city is scheduled for Friday and Saturday evenings of this week and Monday evening of next week at the Rollaway rink on Hurd street. It will be a team race between four of the best roller skaters in this part of the country. It is one which may justly be termed a "big town" event and the indications are that the popular amusement building will be packed on the three nights. Billy Yale of Portland, Maine, and Harry Burke of Bridgeport, Conn., will team up and race Albert Nebes of Lowell and Billy Moffatt of Worcester. Yale has appeared here on several occasions, and as a sprinter is one of the best men around these parts. Burke, as all know, is a plunger, and his recent exhibition here against Al Nebes is well remembered by all those who saw the Bridgeport boy perform. Nebes needs no introduction to Lowell fans. He is the eastern champion, and has beaten every man to appear against him in this or any other city during the past few years. Moffatt only a few weeks ago Neves the race of his life at Marlboro.

On Friday night the men will appear in a five mile race. On Saturday a ten mile and on Monday, New Year's a pursuit race. All the out of town men will arrive here tomorrow and train for the big races.

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Lowell and Lawrence

MARRIED MEN WON
In the annual Christmas bowling match between the married and bachelors some of the best rollers in the city, the married men defeated the single men on the Crescent alleys yesterday morning. The married men piled up the remarkable score of 1933. Kempson was high with a total of 340. The score:

MARRIED MEN				
Cowen	114	92	112	319
Bernardini	122	100	107	329
Wynne	114	112	112	339
Kempton	91	102	117	310
Lebrun	103	102	111	318
Jewett	96	104	88	288
Totals	638	611	631	1933

SINGLE MEN				
Myrick	108	99	120	327
Johnson	94	90	94	275
Whipple	114	90	86	290
McGinnis	92	92	118	222
Kelley	106	122	103	331
Totals	613	599	610	1842

MATRIMONIAL

Aurthur Marcouiller and Miss Alma Roy were married yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Augustin Graton, O.M.I. The bride wore white crepe de chine with Valen cleme lace and she carried bridal roses. She was attended by her father, Pierre Roy, while the bridegroom's witness was also his father, Pierre Marcouiller. At the close of the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the groom's parents, where a reception was held. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Marcouiller, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hugron, Mr. and Mrs. William Marcouiller, Ernest Marcouiller, all of Greenfield, N. H., and Miss Jennie Marcouiller of Boston. After an extended honeymoon trip the couple will make their home at Morey's place, Salem street.

Leduc—Gauthier
Joseph Leduc and Miss Gracia Gauthier were married yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. The bride wore white taffeta trimmed with white silk lace and carried bridal roses. She was given away by her father, Alphonse Rodeigue, while the groom was attended by his father, Joseph Leduc. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 145 Worthen street.

St. Louis—Tanguay
At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in St. Joseph's rectory Donat St. Louis and Miss Rose A. Tanguay were married, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. The witnesses were the fathers of the bride and bridegroom.

Duff—Rodrigue

Alfred Duff and Miss Marie Agnes Rodriguez were married yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Julian Racette, O.M.I. The bride wore white taffeta trimmed with white silk lace and carried bridal roses. She was given away by her father, Alphonse Rodeigue, while the groom was attended by his father, Joseph Duff. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 145 Worthen street.

Morin—Dancosse

Albert Morin, Jr., and Miss Emma Dancosse were united in the bonds of matrimony yesterday afternoon, the ceremony being performed at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Julian Racette, O.M.I. The witnesses were Albert Morin, Sr., and Francois Dancosse, fathers of the groom and bride respectively.

Allard—Landry

The marriage of F. X. Allard and Miss Josephine Landry took place yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory, the officiating clergyman being Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. The witnesses were William Allard and Joseph A. Landry.

Levasseur—Dion

Auguste Levasseur and Miss Louise Dion were married yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. in the presence of Albini Dion and Jérôme Lessard, who acted as witnesses.

Duval—Baron

At 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Joseph Amable Duval and Miss Marie E. Baron were married, the ceremony being performed at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. The bride's witness was her father, Napoleon Baron, while the groom was attended by his brother, Alfred Duval. A reception was held at the home of the bride, 34 Gardner avenue.

Elie—Buisson

Frederick Elie and Miss Odile Buisson were married yesterday morning at a nuptial mass celebrated at 6:30 o'clock in St. Joseph's church by Rev. Augustin Graton, O.M.I. The officiating clergyman being Rev. Auguste Buisson and Auguste Buisson acted as witnesses.

Bourassa—Pitts

Joseph Bourassa and Miss Marie D. Pitts were married Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at St. Louis' church by Rev. E. J. Vincent. The couple were attended by J. Bourassa and E. Levesque.

Pelleter—Desmarais

Bellefeuille—Doucelette
A double wedding took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Notre Dame de Lourdes' rectory when Damase Pelleter and Miss Oliva Desmarais, and George Bellefeuille and Miss Jennie Doucette were united in the bonds of matrimony. The first couple were attended by Alcide Langeron and Miss Rose Bellefeuille, who acted as best man and bridesmaid, while the witnesses for the other couple were Manuel Espanola and Miss Yvonne Bellefeuille. The bride wore white crepe de chine and carried bridal roses, while the bridesmaids were attired in pink crepe de chine and carried pink roses. The officiating clergyman was the pastor, Rev. Leon Lamontagne, O.M.I. At the close of the ceremony the bridal parties repaired to 161 Congress street, where a wedding dinner was served, followed by a reception. After an extended wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Pelleter will make their home at 28 Warren street, while Mr. and Mrs. Bellefeuille will reside at 104 Congress street.

Pouliot—Krosar

Athanasius Pouliot and Miss Theodore Elias Krosar were married Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of the bride, 110 Dunham street, the officiating clergyman being Rev. Nestor Sonstides, pastor of the Greek Orthodox church. The witnesses were Constantine Garagounis and Miss Theodore Christou Katitsa. After a honeymoon trip to Boston the couple will make their home in this city.

Fling—Stone

Wallace Lester Fling and Miss May Davenport Stone were married this afternoon, the ceremony being performed at 4:30 o'clock at the home of the bride, 33 Harvard street by Rev. Herbert Benton. The couple were unattended. The bride wore white crepe

AGAIN—WEDNESDAY BIG STEAK DAY

Saunders' Market

FANCY LONG CUTS, Lb. 24c
VERY BEST LONG CUTS, No Higher Price, 27c
Pound
VERY BEST SHORT CUTS, RUMP STEAK, Lb. 32c

CHOICE CUTS, FANCY GRADE, 18c
Pound
VERY BEST CUTS, No Higher Price, 25c

Round Steak 20c CUTS BOTTOM ROUND, Lb. 16c
ROUND CUT THROUGH, Lb. 18c
28c CUT TOP ROUND, Lb. 25c

VEIN STEAK JUST A MOMENT
Where can you match this price in Lowell? Lb. 22c

VEAL STEAK, lb. 18c HAMBURG, lb. 10c PORK STEAK, Lb. 16c

BUTTER 24½ lb bag. \$1.15
Pound 98 lb Cotton. \$4.38
Bbl. in wood. \$9.00 EGGS Doz. 35c

PINK SALMON, Can. 10c STRING BEANS, Can. 7c SUGAR CORN, Can. 10c

Campbell's Tomato Soup, 3 cans - - 25c NO TELEPHONE ORDERS TAKEN

VERY BEST RED ALASKA SALMON, Can. 17c ARMOUR'S HAMMER SOAP, 8 Ears 25c

NO CHRISTMAS CHEER

Continued

out waiting for court to open. Ten more were released yesterday in time to join their families, if they had any, by noon, but when the sun rose over the eastern horizon this morning 27 unfortunate yawns in their cells, wondering what their fate would be so close to the beginning of another year. Six more drunken offenders arrested for the first time in a year were released today, leaving 31 men for Associate Justice Pickman to dispose of when court opened at 10 o'clock.

Found Probably Guilty

Joseph Rondeau and Adolph Desrosiers were found probably guilty of robbing Peter Gill of \$27 on Saturday night and were held in the sum of \$500 for the grand jury. They were represented by Lawyer George F. Toye, who entered pleas of not guilty.

Gill, who has been working in North Chelmsford, resides at 6 Carter place. He came home Saturday night with a roll of over \$80, the greater part of his month's pay. He met three young men and joined with them in a little drinking party. After visiting a few saloons, said Gill, the quartet walked to Pawtucketville. He claims that when they reached a secluded spot, the young men pointed a gun, knocked him down and relieved him of his money. Gill recovered and reported the matter to the police station, giving a description of the robbers. Desrosiers was arrested Sunday morning by Patrolman Lamontagne and Rondeau found in Deacon by Sergeant McTigue and Officer Culhane. Both were admitted to jail this noon.

A sentence of three months in jail was meted out to John A. Stevens after he had pleaded guilty to stealing two suit cases filled with articles valued at \$16,500 from Arthur Fowen Stevens. Stevens is alleged to have entered Dewey's rooming house and to have purloined a lodgings house and to have purloined four pairs of stockings, two suits, shoes and two suit cases.

He then tried to dispose of everything for one dollar. Stevens pleaded for another chance, asserting that he would make restitution in full but the Honor imposed the direct jail sentence.

Assaulted An Officer

Stanislaw Kacarski, the man who made such severe resistance when being arrested in his home in Sullivan's court, by Patrolmen Kennedy and O'Neill, was charged with drunkenness and assault upon the first named patrolman. Through counsel, Daniel J. Donahue, he pleaded not guilty. Patrolman Kennedy was unable to appear in court owing to the seriousness of his injuries consisting of two bites and other bruises, and the case was continued until Saturday, but being fixed at \$100, Kacarski presented a pair of badly discolored lamps and lacerations on his hairless scalp.

Unregistered Bottles

The case of Leo J. Sherlock, accused of the unlawful use of unregistered milk bottles, which has been pending for several weeks, was disposed of today. One of the two counts was dismissed. On the other Sherlock was found guilty of using seven milk bottles other than his own and was fined two dollars for each bottle, \$14 in all. He appealed for the government and George F. Toye for the defendant.

Clarence W. Blaisdell of Milford, N. H., was adjudged guilty of neglecting to support his two minor children and was given a suspended sentence of three months in jail.

Drunks Are Warned

Judge Pickman issued a warning to the men who appear in court very frequently on complaint of drunkenness, stating that he believed in man who was convicted four or five times a year for this offense should be punished by a severe sentence.

EXPERIENCED HOUSE GIRL would like work in family of three or four. Write 781 Sun Office.

SMALL BOX containing ivory toilet set, lost on 218 No. Chelmsford ave. Christmas Reward if returned to Lambert & Monnettes, 241 Central st.

John Croon 20 days, and Henry Lambert seven days.

Self-Appointed Traffic Cop

John H. Quinn was arrested shortly after 10 o'clock Saturday night while directing traffic at the corner of Merrimack and Central streets and booked at the station for drunkenness. The square was crowded with shoppers returning home after the stores had closed and John took it upon himself to care for the safety of the public.

In the performance of his duties he beat up cars, automobiles and pedestrians and had a narrow escape from being injured. He was recently released on parole from the state farm and will be returned to that institution tomorrow. Quinn was arrested by Patrolman Michael Winn.

One suspended sentence was imposed and two men were ordered to pay fines of five dollars for their second offence.

Carroll Singing By Club Lafayette

About 25 members of Club Lafayette went on their second annual tour of caroling Sunday night and this year's affair proved even more successful than last year.

The singers, headed by Ernest J. DuPont, president-elect of the club and a singer of wide reputation, left the club building at midnight Sunday after singing a few hymns on the club grounds. From there they went to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Rodrigue Mignault, where for over 20 minutes they entertained. To the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Tuncott in Fletcher street and later to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Licence L. Fortin in Riverside st. Other places visited were the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Lamont

TESTIMONY IN B. & M. RECEIVER- SHIP CASE

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Henry B. Day of this city, a director of the Boston & Maine railroad in his capacity as one of the federal trustees of stock of that road owned by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, was called today as a witness in the Boston & Maine receivership hearing in the federal court. In answer to questions by counsel for minority stockholders who oppose receivership he said he voted against a further extension of the road's notes last August because he believed it was his duty to bring about a reorganization through the medium of the federal courts.

"It seemed to me that many of the noteholders would not renew if asked, and it also seemed that it might be unwise to ask some of them," the witness stated. "We had come to a parting of the ways and had exhausted all means of arranging with the Concord & Montreal and Connecticut river roads. I saw no prospect of anything but a reorganization or a receivership."

The obligations of the road had been piling up since 1901. The mileage itself had not increased one iota. The leases were not excessive, but the principle was wrong.

"And so when the federal trustees came in they came with the idea that reorganization was the only hope. When after months and months of effort to bring about a friendly reorganization, we failed, I thought we would be much better off in the hands of the court."

William J. Hobbs, vice president of the Boston & Maine who was recalled to the stand testified that on Sept. 30, last, there was cash on deposit amounting to \$9,679,720.

Mr. Day said the claim of the Hampden railroad against the Boston & Maine, in connection with an agreement to purchase the former property, should be compromised, adding that there was justice and right on both sides.

Negotiations had been started toward a compromise, he testified, the Hampden interests demanding \$3,000,000 in first and second preferred stock of the new company which, under reorganization, was to take over the several properties of the present Boston & Maine system. He said he thought such a settlement inadvisable.

Lensed line representatives, especially directors of the Boston & Lowell and the Fitchburg railroads were insistent that the Hampden claim be settled before they would enter reorganization proposals, according to the witness.

COLLEGE WOMEN HAVE FEW CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Every married woman capable of bearing children must as an average bring three children to maturity if the population is to be kept up and not increased, it was declared here today at a meeting of the American Genetic Association, by Dr. Robert J. Sprague of the Massachusetts Agricultural college. Of the graduates of our women's colleges, he said, only half marry and the average number of children per graduate is less than one." The meeting is being held by the association as one of the affiliated organizations taking part in the 63rd convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

NEW EVIDENCE IN WAITE CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Dr. Arthur W. Waite has confessed to Frank Waite, his brother, that just before his arrest for the murder of John E. Peck he took to Frank's home and hid there a bottle containing enough poison to kill a score of persons.

Dr. Waite had had this poison for years since his return from South Africa. So he possessed it when he bought poison of the same kind to kill his father-in-law and mother-in-law.

Frank Waite has given out his brother's statement and has told of finding the bottle in his home.

Both Frank Waite and Walter R. Deuel, counsel for Dr. Waite, hold that this discovery proves the condemned man is insane and with it they intend to fight to save him from execution.

POLISH BANK TO ISSUE NEW PAPER CURRENCY

WARSAW, Dec. 23, via Berlin and wireless to The Associated Press, via Sayville, Dec. 26.—Gov. Gen. von Beseler has signed an order creating the Polish state credit bank which shortly will issue new paper currency in Polish marks of a value equivalent to German marks and guaranteed by the German government.

TOWED INTO PORT

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 26.—The Belgian motor ship Emanuel Nobel which has been in distress near the shoals of Soher Island since Saturday, was towed to this port today. Engine trouble which made it necessary to anchor the ship just off the Soher Island shore will be repaired here. The Emanuel Nobel was bound from Ronen, France, for Newport News.

OTHER NEUTRALS TO JOIN U. S. IN PEACE MOVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Indications accumulated in official quarters here today that the action of Switzerland in supporting the peace move of the United States may be followed by similar action on the part of other European neutrals.

Holland, Spain, the Scandinavian countries and the pope, it was said, are expected to take some action in the near future.

Dr. Paul Ritter, the Swiss minister here, will see President Wilson within a few days to discuss the peace situation. He called at the White House today to gather information on how the Swiss peace note had been received in this country in order to send a report to his government.

Dr. Ritter was concerned over newspaper reports that the action of the Swiss government was construed as support for the cause of the central powers. He told Secretary Tumulty the action of his government was solely in the interest of peace.

Messages from individuals and organizations in Holland and other neutral European nations continued to arrive at the White House today in large numbers. All commended the president for his recent note and indicated that strong pressure was being brought on the governments of European neutrals to take action. While the United States will continue to act alone, supporting action by other neutral nations, it is said, will be welcomed by President Wilson.

Spanish Ambassador Riano conferred with Secretary Lansing today but both officials refused to discuss the meeting beyond saying that the ambassador sought further information as to the peace situation. Spain, Mr. Riano said, had not yet sent a reply to President Wilson's note and there has been no indication yet as to whether she would follow Switzerland as the third intermediary entrusted with the forwarding of the neutral powers' proposals in endorsing the president's action. Nor has any word been received, it was said, as to when the allies would reply to those proposals.

SWISS NOTE TO BELLIGERENTS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Interest in the receipt of President Wilson's note remains unabated. Newspaper discussion was renewed today with a new impetus administered by the issue of the Swiss note, with its disclosure of a Swiss-American consultation weeks ago, and by London cable despatches regarding the discussions, speculations and criticisms in America on the main question as to how President Wilson's note and similar communications should be treated by the allies, opinion remains as already recorded. There is on the one hand a realization of "the rooted objection of the allies to an appeal for courteous treatment of neutral representations, it being urged that the allies are bound to take them into account, for to do otherwise would be to reduce themselves to "the level of the aggressors who began the war."

Apart from the main question there is much discussion as to the genesis, nature and probable effects of President Wilson's message. Despatches from Washington and New York represent public opinion in America as uninformed and as curious on these points as opinion is here. It seems a matter of special satisfaction to some editorial writers that criticisms of the president's phraseology and surprise at the course he has taken, are according to these despatches identical on both sides of the Atlantic. The Times says:

"It would not be easy to discover in the recent history of diplomacy a state paper issued by any great power which has proved so exceedingly difficult of plain interpretation. President Wilson's first duty to his fellow citizens, to the combatants and to other neutrals would seem to be to make his meaning less obscure. Unless and until he does so the allies must put upon it what seems to them the natural interpretation and the character of that interpretation may be inferred from Mr. Bonar Law's remarks the other night."

Switzerland's action, while declared in quarters in which President Wilson's note was met by an emphatic no as offering no greater prospect of bringing peace than that of the president is treated more leniently. "It will not suffer," says the Chronicle, "from the misfortune of the circumstances under which the American note was published making it seem an appendix to the German proposals, because the Swiss statesmen make it clear their overt agreement is the outcome of an exchange of views which has been proceeding confidentially for weeks."

The Telegraph taking the same attitude says:

The Swiss note prudently avoids the line of argument which started for President Wilson so cool a reception by all the belligerents and takes only that ground on which every neutral has a right to be heard."

U. S. SENDS FACTS ON THE ADRIATIC TO GERMANY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The preliminary statement sent to this government by Great Britain saying the British steamer Arabia, sunk by a German submarine, without warning, was not at the time and had not been in admiralty service, was sent on to Germany.

Announcement to that effect was made at the state department where, as in the case of the Marlin, on which Americans were lost, no comment was added. Further facts are expected from Great Britain shortly and possibly a reply from Germany.

SLID DOWN ROPE TO SAFETY DURING FIRE

KINGSTON, R. I., Dec. 26.—The dormitory and lecture hall used by the poultry department of the Rhode Island state college burned to the ground yesterday in a fire which is supposed to have originated from incubators in the basement. Most of the students were away for the Christmas vacation, but one of them, asleep on the top floor, slid down a rope made of blankets to safety. The loss is \$10,000, uninsured.

WOOD TO PUSH PROBE ON LEAK TO WALL ST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Congressman Wood of Indiana, author of the resolution providing for an investigation to ascertain if official advance information was furnished Wall street speculators concerning the president's note to European nations now at war, says he is determined to go to the bottom of the charges that government officials gave the tip that caused the stock market hurry to profit a few people and hurt many others.

"My resolution is privileged and I will demand action on it," said Mr. Wood. "If the committee to which it was referred does not act inside of two days after congress reconvenes, I will ask for its discharge of further consideration and go direct to the floor of the house with it."

Mr. Wood said that he is getting together all the information possible to be used in his fight for a probe. He has not decided what witnesses shall be called, but will begin with prominent Wall street brokers. "I want to get at what is true," and added: "There is a lot of loose talk about advance information for Wall street speculators, but none of it has crystallized into definite allegation."

AUTOMATIC ALARM

An automatic alarm called the members of the Central fire station to the Jameson Cos. store in Merrimack at 8:15 o'clock Sunday morning. There was no fire, the alarm having been caused by a leak in the sprinkler system. No damage was done.

Fire at Rollaway

About 8:52 o'clock Sunday morning the protective company was called to the Rollaway in Hurd street where there was a slight blaze in a partition. The fire was caused by some person carelessly throwing a lighted cigaret stub. The damage was slight.

FUNERALS

ST. PIERRE—The funeral of Joseph St. Pierre took place this morning from his home, 12 Joliette avenue, High mark of religion was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 8 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I.

The bearers were Felix and Ezezar Lavergne, Hector Huher, Delphine Poulin, Ernest and Napoleon Morin. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committee of laymen, headed by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

LAMBERT—The funeral of Thomas Lambert took place this morning from his home, 24 Coode street, East End. His repose was celebrated at St. Joseph's church at 1 o'clock by Rev. Julien Racette, O.M.I. The bearers were Albert, Israel and Theodore Lambert, Joseph Lebreuve, Henri Riel and Honore Rochelein. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery. The services were read by Rev. Fr. Baron, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

28,000 KILLED BY SNAKES AND WILD ANIMALS

SIMLA, India, December—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—More than 28,000 people were killed by snakes and wild animals in British India last year. The government reports show that 1823 persons were slain by tigers and other beasts, and 26,383 perished through being bitten by reptiles, an increase over the previous year of 3700 deaths met in this manner. No figures are available for the native states with a population of some 90,000,000.

During the past five years elephants, tigers and other animals have

killed 9192 people in British India, and of these, tigers have claimed a total of 3882. In the same period 116,828 persons have died as the result of snake bites.

Last year the highest total of deaths due to animals in any one province was in Bihar and Orissa where 684 people lost their lives, while 1000 others accounted for 376. In the United Provinces one man-eating tiger in the Almora district killed 1000 persons out of the provincial total of twenty.

In order to effect the destruction of as many wild animals and snakes as possible the government pays bounties. The number of animals destroyed in 1915 was 25,080, including 1582 tigers, 6823 leopards, 2775 bears and 2191 wolves. The total number of snakes killed was 184,663.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION

Albert Caisse was sentenced to three months in the house of correction by Judge Enright at a special session of police court this afternoon after he had pleaded guilty to larceny of one suit of clothes valued at \$15 and a pair of three dollar shoes from Joseph Beaumont.

Caisse was arrested last Friday night for breaking and entering the home of Felix Verloove in Dutton street with intent to commit larceny on Nov. 24. He was caught in the house by Clementine Verloove, a daughter of Felix. He pleaded guilty to this charge Saturday and the case was continued until today for sentence. In the meantime it was learned that he had stolen the suit and shoes from Beaumont, who rooms at 41 John street. The Verloove complaint was placed on file.

The Sunlight dancing party held in Associate hall yesterday was attended by a large number of young people, afternoon and evening. The Miner-Doyal orchestra furnished music.

Special to The Sun

Mrs. Nellie Hayes of 504 Suffolk st. at the Lowell Corporation hospital suffering from a fractured left arm sustained in a fall Sunday. Mrs. Hayes was taken to the hospital in the ambulance yesterday.

The little blanket of snow that came early Christmas morning did not improve the skating. Neither did it ruin it entirely, as was evidenced by the number of skaters on the Merrimack river, the rink at Shedd park and elsewhere.

A fight at a Christmas celebration in a house in Bradford street resulted in severe injury to Manual Terisafawa of 108 Tibon street last evening. Several of Manual's ribs were broken and he sustained a scalp laceration that required five stitches to close.

A handsome four-piece silver tea service on a cut glass tray was presented to Manager B. E. Pickett of Keith's theatre by his employees as a token of the esteem in which he is held. The Christmas gift was found by Manager Pickett on the desk in his office with appropriate greetings.

Miss Margaret L. Sidley of Belvidere reported to the police Sunday afternoon that she had been robbed of a pocketbook containing several dollars by a snatching thief. Miss Sidley said she was walking past the Les Misérables bowling alleys when a man stepped from behind, grabbed her pocketbook and darted in an alley.

A pretty Christmas eve celebration was held by the Lincoln club in its quarters. Santa Claus made a visit and distributed presents. President John Perry taking the role of Santa. The program included numbers by Misses McCullin, Ward and Reardon and Messrs. LeClair, Perry, Marshall, Olson, Hall and Palmer. Miss Dowling was the accompanist.

A check for \$250 to be used in aiding families of prisoners who are in his charge was received by Probation Officer James P. Ramsay Saturday from a woman who refused to disclose her name. The woman wrote that she would willingly give more money if it were needed to bring happiness to the sorrowful wives and children of prisoners.

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PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE

President Wilson's note to the belligerent powers of Europe is the international sensation of the hour. It has caused immense rejoicing in Germany with the result that President Wilson is hailed as the man destined to bring peace.

On the other hand the Entente Allies do not know what to make of it. They are trying to fathom President Wilson's real motive in sending the note immediately after Germany had declared her willingness to make peace. Some prominent newspapers representing Entente sentiment hint that the president is acting in the interest of Germany, others that in so playing into Germany's hands, he is pulling the United States out of a hole in reference to the complications over the submarine warfare. It is also conjectured that the president wishing to take a leading part in the peace negotiations felt that if he waited any longer somebody might get ahead of him. Thus it appears that the letter has aroused much speculation, a very considerable portion of which is unfriendly.

In spite of this, however, the Allies will issue a reply which while disingenuous any displeasure they may feel, will still express their determination to hold firmly to their position as expressed by Premier Lloyd George of England, Premier Briand of France and General Treppoff of Russia.

The French press is more outspoken than the British in criticizing the note as inopportune and as placed under suspicion from its coincidence with the German declaration for peace. One of these papers cites a precedent for rejecting any intervention by recalling the reply of President Lincoln to overtures by France to terminate our Civil war. President Wilson, says this paper, cannot expect any other reply from France.

Russia has also resented the idea of any intervention with considerable feeling, so that although President Wilson's motives may have been of the most humane character, yet his appeal cannot stay the hand of the Allies at a time when they are preparing to force Germany into submission. Here is a caustic comment from a prominent Italian paper:

"Why should neutrals who kept quiet when the Germans dishonored Europe take a stand against war today when the Allies have well founded hopes of defeating those responsible for so many iniquities? Their intervention now is an act involving partiality. Therefore, President Wilson's initiative, is not only inopportune, but unbecoming."

The demands of the Entente Allies are pretty well known and it is not likely that they will be reduced by any negotiations that can now be made possible. Briefly stated they are thus summarized:

"England asks the re-entrance of Germany within Germany's own boundaries, respect for oppressed nationalities, regard for international agreements and equitable damages for the ruin wrought. France has placed openly upon the carpet the recovery of Alsace and Lorraine.

"Italy in the same manner, has defined her rights to the irredentist territories on the other side of the sea which are essential to tranquil life on the Adriatic. Russia wishes to be no longer suffocated in the Black Sea. The straits belong to her. Serbia, likewise, must have her territories and a free outlet. Romania must rescue her sons suffering under the Magyar yoke."

In certain quarters in Europe among the Entente Allies of course there is a wide-spread tendency to believe that President Wilson would rather peace regardless of whether it were based upon justice and honor rather than upon German necessity. That view of the president's action unless counteracted cannot fail to do harm to American interests.

In the United States the underlying motives of the president's peace note are as much of a mystery as they are in foreign nations. The first explanation by Secretary Lansing that the note was prompted by the feeling that unless peace be soon declared, we may have to enter the war on our own account, was taken back and his final explanation made the matter no clearer. Despite all these untoward incidents however, it is to be hoped that the note will prove to be the first real step in the direction of peace in Europe and a peace that will be not merely a prolonged armistice, but one that will endure for ages.

SAFETY FIRST

If everybody in Lowell were fully alive to the simplest rules of Safety First, we should have an astonishingly short falling off in the number of accidents, fatal and otherwise.

Most people imagine that motor and railroad accidents are most numerous; but although they are very much more frequent than they should be, they are not so numerous as are those from plain falls of all kinds. Children fall from windows, from verandas, from fire escapes; they fall down stairs and when there is no other way for them to fall, they climb trees chasing squirrels and fall with breaking branches. They fall from freight cars, from autos, wagons and cars on which they try to steal rides; they fall down elevator wells, they fall into spring wells if there is a possible chance, and they also fall into rivers and canals, sometimes being rescued and sometimes not. It is well remembered how a boy not long ago climbed a high water tower at Billerica, got dizzy, lost his balance and fell to his death. That is a sample of what boys will do, in their unrestrained disregard of their safety.

The census of fatal accidents in the United States shows that there are more deaths from falls than from street and railroad accidents combined. When an accident of the latter kind occurs everybody hears of it, but if a child falls three stories from an open window while engaged in blowing soap bubbles, very few except those in the immediate neighborhood hear of the accident.

So much for falls, the falls that might be prevented by a little care on the part of the children, but it is useless to look to young children for care in regard to their own safety unless they are trained to it and sometimes not even then. When children are allowed to run where they please on the busy streets, nobody need be surprised if they meet with serious acci-

Companies that provide the insurance insist upon safety devices where these are necessary.

In this way manufacturers who would otherwise be negligent are forced to provide the necessary safeguards.

In order to have all the people ultimately trained in Safety First, it is necessary to start in the schools. When children are drilled in the principles of self-preservation, prevention and precaution against danger and disease, they will apply those principles in their daily occupations with the result that finally the number of occupational diseases and of accidents, fatal and otherwise, will be reduced to a minimum.

UNPRECEDENTED PROSPERITY

Never before in the history of the city were the local stores so besieged with business as on Saturday. Some stores were cleaned out of certain lines of stock early in the afternoon and the rush continued unabated until 10 o'clock at night. Without doubt the business done during the past week far exceeded that of any previous week in the city's history. Several stores had their show windows cleared of goods and put up "Thank You" signs indicative of gratitude to the public for the unprecedented patronage.

Early in the afternoon the meat markets got short of turkeys and there was a scramble all over the city not only for turkeys but for chickens, the next best substitute.

Whether the supply was below normal or the demand greater has been widely discussed. It is probable, however, that as a result of the railroad blockade and the restrictions recently imposed upon cold storage plants, the supply of turkeys was subnormal, while the demand owing to the increased prosperity of the working people exceeded the highest ever experienced at this season. Hence the scramble for turkeys and why so many hundreds of people were unable to get them at any price. It was certainly a prosperous Christmas for Lowell.

They Do Say

That a few stockings were left hanging last night.

That wishes for a happy new year are now in order.

That New Year's cards will now keep the postman busy.

That if we don't feel better today, it's our own fault.

That there is but little time left to join the Thrift club.

That the carol singers were on the

Lowell Man Took Friend's Advice

Suffered For 15 Years With Stomach Trouble; Now Praising Plant Juice.

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Inasmuch as there are but few children who remain over night at the Lowell Day Nursery in First street the Christmas tree was held on Friday night. The tree was well filled with presents and the evening was spent in an enjoyable manner. The children who are living at the nursery were invited out to dinner yesterday and each little one came back with a glad smile and stated that he or she had had an excellent time with plenty of good things to eat and also presents.

Chelmsford Street Hospital

The inmates of the Chelmsford street hospital had a thoroughly enjoyable time yesterday. A turkey dinner and excellent entertainment were provided. Yesterday morning Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I., conducted a service at 7:30 o'clock and there was appropriate singing by Mrs. Charles Young, James E. Hennelly, John J. Dalton, William Gookin and Francis Burns. For the benefit of those unable to be present in the chapel, the singers went through the various wards and contributed many pleasing Christmas melodies.

At the dinner hour, 400 pounds of turkey was served, with vegetables, and the 355 inmates had an abundance of the good things that came on Christmas day. There were many gifts from friends of the inmates, and also friends of the institution.

Lowell Jail

The inmates of the Lowell jail in Thirteenth street enjoyed a roast pork dinner yesterday and during the afternoon there was an entertainment, phonographic selections playing a prominent part. The people were given the freedom of the corridors and the men enjoyed smoking.

CHRISTMAS TREE

Y.M.C.A. Hall Scene of Pleasant Gathering—Musical and Literary Program Given

The hall of the Young Men's Catholic Institute in Stackpole street was the scene of festivity yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the annual Christmas tree. Members and friends to the number of about 300 were present and the affair proved to be one of the best ever conducted by this popular organization.

Frank McCartin made an ideal Santa Claus and during the course of the afternoon a musical and literary program was carried out, the program being as follows:

Piano solo, Richard Cartin; songs, Warren Kane, Thomas Carlin, William Morse, Thomas Kelley, Frank McCartin, Joseph Wedge, John Dalton, Geo. Lynch, William Gookin, John Burrows and Andrew Doyle; piano solo, James Gookin of Boston. James Gookin was the accompanist.

CHARLES HAYNES DEAD

Charles C. Haynes, one of the foremen at the Federal Shoe Co., was struck by an aneurism in Fifth avenue, New York, Saturday, and died in a hospital about an hour later. He was about 60 years of age and left this city on Friday to visit his son who is a professor in an Iowa university. He was then to go to Florida for a short vacation.

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FAMILY DOCTOR'S GOOD ADVICE

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To Go On Taking "Fruit-a-lives" Because They Did Her Good

ROMMOS, JAN. 14th, 1916.

"I suffered for many years with terrible Indigestion and Constipation. I had frequent dizzy spells and became greatly run down. A neighbor advised me to try "Fruit-a-lives". I did so and to the surprise of my doctor, I began to improve, and he advised me to go on with "Fruit-a-lives".

I consider that I owe my life to "Fruit-a-lives" and I want to say to those who suffer from Indigestion, Constipation or Headaches—"try Fruit-a-lives" and you will get well". CORINE GAUDREAU.

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job Sunday evening.

That the movies are more or less the freedom of the seas.

That drivers should not forget to blanket their horses.

That Christmas was preceded by good coasting and skating.

That it doesn't take a new year long to become an old one.

That we shall have to wait 365 days for another Christmas.

That the Christmas story is yet the sweetest story ever told.

That the Creator didn't make you to have all your own way.

That a little joshing now and then adds to the spice of life.

That the editor's cigars did not mean the arrival of a new one.

That if you are a man of information be careful you don't blow up.

That the blessings of the firemen offset that turn down at election.

That there were many pretty presentations in Lowell factories Saturday.

That it nice to get a reminder from the friend you've almost forgotten.

That a lot of things happen before night you didn't expect in the morning.

That the florists always manage to get the plants to flower just in time.

That the once despised beasts of the forest may well be proud of their skins.

That the deer on Fort Hill are as happy as those that drew Santa's chariot.

That there are many things a man can't find out if his dictionary is too old.

That city hall is a hot house of rumors and there are more than 50 varieties.

That many of the Christmas toys have already been put out of commission.

That there is nothing to worry about, there will be another holiday next week.

That two holidays within eight days make it hard for some of the poor people.

That it doesn't really cost much to let somebody else know you are thinking of them.

That there are three eternal nightmares—the tax bill, the telephone bill and the light bill.

That President Wilson may not please the governments of Europe—but when did those governments like anything American?

VERY VICTIOUS PRISONER

Stanislaw Kacmarski, who was arrested at his home in Sullivan's court, off Penwick street, Saturday afternoon, for drunkenness, proved a very vicious prisoner. He fought the arresting officers stubbornly and bit Patrolman James J. Kennedy on the hand twice and cut him in several places. Not even the presence of another policeman, Michael O'Neil, caused Stanislaw to quiet down and the two officers were forced to fight a hard battle. Patrolman Kennedy was treated by city physician at the police station after the arrest.

A GLAD SURPRISE

The employees of the North Billerica Woolen Co. were surprised Saturday when they were presented gold pieces by the mill owners. All employees who have been at the mill one year or longer were given five dollar gold pieces and those employed less than a year \$2.50.

the life and energies of city people, namely, stomach and nervous disorders. Many men and women who have suffered from stomach, liver and kidney trouble are now enjoying perfect health due to Plant Juice, as their numerous testimonials show.

In a recent interview, Mr. Hugh MacLean, of No. 81 Fourth Street, who is employed in one of the largest mills in the country, tells how he was relieved of a bad case of stomach trouble by Plant juice, after years of suffering.

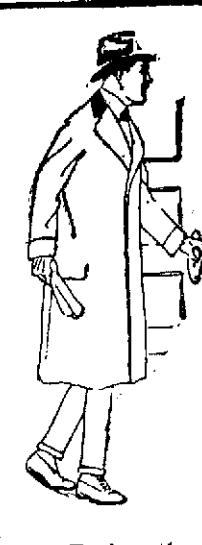
"I have been troubled more or less for the past 15 years with my stomach and my food fermented and caused gas to form, I was badly bloated and in constant misery. I never could eat any breakfast and I could not sleep at night. I had terrible pains around my heart, caused from the gas, had headaches, was constipated, and had pains all over my body. A friend who had been cured by Plant juice begged me to try it. After I had taken it for 2 weeks, I can now eat anything I want, I sleep well, my bowels are regular, and I feel stronger and more lively than I have for months. I can't praise Plant juice too highly for making it possible for me to now eat and digest my meals, and am glad to give this endorsement for it."

By proper care in guarding against accidents, the highest authorities assert that the number of accidents may be reduced by 75 per cent. The state highway commission is doing much to lessen the number of motor accidents on the public highways due to recklessness and other causes. The highway safety league is also doing much good in preventing accidents, but much yet remains to be done.

In factories of various kinds the "Safety First" movement has taken hold in a most satisfactory manner. There is more care given to the instruction of operatives and to the protection of operatives and to the protection of dangerous machinery. The state is doing its share to reduce to a minimum the dangers to health known as occupational diseases.

Young people are becoming more cautious than ever in guarding against such diseases, as much as they see the error of risking the loss of health and ultimately life itself merely for the opportunity to earn a living at wages no higher than are paid in occupations which have much danger.

The application of the Workmen's Compensation law has operated to prevent many accidents.



THIS SEASON

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Single breast, fly front with silk velvet collar, and in length reach just below the knee.

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MERCHANTS HAD BIG CHRISTMAS TRADE

Local merchants stated that business in Lowell during Christmas week was the best they have ever experienced and in several instances it was impossible to supply the demand. This was particularly true of the demand for turkey.

The department and five and ten-cent stores all had a thriving business all week, and especially Saturday, while the meat and provision dealers had all they could attend to.

It is said that one of the local five- and ten-cent stores was forced to close its doors early Saturday evening on account of being practically sold out. Delivery wagons in numerous lines were kept busy until the wee hours Sunday morning and in many instances extra trips were made Sunday forenoon.

The meat markets report an extraordinary business and one butcher stated this morning he believes he could have sold a ton of turkey Saturday. The demand for turkey was great and is figured that Friday and Saturday were banner days for the sale of birds. Saturday evening there was not a store in Lowell with a turkey unsold and before the evening was over most of the stores had been cleaned out of their turkeys, chickens and fowls and many places pork could not be purchased. A local dealer telephoned to Boston Friday afternoon and again Saturday for turkeys, but was unable to get any, the Boston market having also been sold out. Friday evening fancy turkey was selling for 40 cents a pound and Saturday

people did not bother with prices providing they could get what they were after.

COST OF MONKEYS GONE UP ON ACCOUNT OF WAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Like food, white paper and shoe prices, the cost of monkeys has gone up and it was disclosed today that pathological experiments being conducted by the public health service are in danger of being seriously hampered by scarcity of available simians. Recently the service needed a dozen monkeys to be inoculated with disease germs in its hygienic laboratory but could get only six and had to pay \$15 each, although a little more than a year ago they were more plentiful at \$8 a head. South American monkeys are used.

Officials attribute the scarcity to the closing by the war of the world's principal wild animal market at Lübeck, Germany.

The meat markets report an extraordinary business and one butcher

BRITISH PLAN TO ARM ALL VESSELS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—It is understood that under the new Lloyd George plan for controlling British shipping the White Star and Cunard liners will operate between Liverpool and Halifax instead of coming on to New York and will be armed with six-inch guns fore and aft.

In addition to the protection afforded by the guns there will be fast cruisers in certain positions which will be known to the commanders of the liners, who will be provided with special signals to enable them to call for assistance if they are attacked.

The cargoes will be taken from New York and Boston in small steamships to Halifax, where the freight will be transhipped on board the big steamships waiting to convey it to Liverpool or London. Passengers will travel by train.

The expense of transshipping the freight and conveying it to Halifax will be very heavy, but it will have to be done in order to make certain that the government will get sufficient provisions for the people of Great Britain and for the army of 2,000,000 men in France and Flanders.

Reports received from Portsmouth indicate that the Germans have been turning out submarines recently at the rate of three to five a week, and that they will endeavor to put a chain of these undersea craft around the British Isles in January to cut off all supplies.

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Commanders of British vessels have been warned not to reply to S.G.S. calls because several steamships have been decoyed by German submarines into giving their position by wireless and have afterward been sunk.

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ON RUSSIAN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 26, by wireless to Sayville. Regarding military operations along the Russian front, today's statement by army headquarters reads:

"Front of Prince Leopold: On the lower Stokhod the Russian artillery

was more active than usual. North-

west of Lutsk an enterprise conducted by German detachments resulted in the bringing in of 16 prisoners."

DIED SUDDENLY

Rev. George E. Lovejoy, former Chaplain-in-Chief of the G.A.R., died in Lawrence Yesterday.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—Rev. George E. Lovejoy, pastor of the South Congregational church and a former chaplain-in-chief of the G.A.R., died suddenly of heart trouble at his home, 118 Bailey street, last evening.

Connections with other foreign governmental institutions, such as the Bank of France, are foreshadowed, officials say, by yesterday's action. The Bank of England is the first foreign correspondent whose appointment has

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JOYOUS XMAS SERVICES IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

The great feast of Christmas is always celebrated by the Catholic church with the most elaborate services in its ritual. All that music and decoration and sacred ceremony can do is availed of to bring home the story of the nativity and the people responded with special devotion. The congregations are always the largest of the year and many non-Catholics attend, drawn by the beauty of the annual observance.

Yesterday special Christmas music was sung in all of the churches and there were vespers services in most during which a tournament was held on a visitation of children to the crib. The decorations in the larger churches were exceptionally beautiful, great quantities of cut down and pointed plants being used effectively in conjunction with holy boughs and ropes of laurel. The sermons were on the birth of Christ as told by St. Luke. During the various masses the congregations made their annual offering to the priests of the respective parishes.

Immaculate Conception

As usual, the Church of the Immaculate Conception reflected the beauty and significance of the holiday season. The music at all of the masses was notably impressive and the decorations breathed the Christmas spirit. Laurel wreaths in great profusion were hung in the sanctuary and round the pillars and on the left was a beautiful representation of the crib. The officiating clergymen at the vespers services were Rev. Timothy P. Callahan, assisted by Monsignor O'Brien.

The musical program, given under the direction of Michael J. Johnson, and rendered by a choir of 30 voices, and the sanctuary choir, directed by Rev. Brother Nitus, consisting of 50 voices, was especially pleasing and impressive. The processional and recessional were sung by the sanctuary choir and the members also sang the responses of the mass. The church quartet consisted of Miss Alice Murphy, Mrs. James Morris, John J. McNabb and Andrew A. McCarthy. At the vespers service last evening at 7 o'clock Miss Frances Tighe sang Holden's "O Salutaris" at the benediction. The officiating clergymen at the vespers services were Rev. Timothy P. Callahan, assisted by Monsignor O'Brien.

St. Peter's

The Christmas decorations at St. Peter's seemed even more elaborate than in former years, the richness of the church interior making the task of the decorator easy. Evergreen branches were twined around the pillars and branches were interwoven in the tracery of the lights. On the alters were masses of cut flowers the prevailing color note being red, and special lights and incandescents were used with fine effect. The musical program showed the result of long preparation and it was fully in keeping with the day and the general tone of the services.

Mrs. E. P. McCarlin, Miss Bella Walsh, Miss Mary Savage, Miss Lorella Mireluta, Miss Katherine McCaffrey, Miss Mary Quinn and Misses Arthur McQuaid, George Lynch, Frank Kane, David P. Martin and William Gookin.

Last evening at 8 a.m. solemn vespers services were held with Very Rev. Dr. Wade Smith, O.M.I., officiating, assisted by Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. William Mahan, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. The annual procession of the Holy Angels' sodality was held and it was a touchingly beautiful sight as the little ones approached the crib, each child in white with a garland sash and bearing flowers to offer the infant Jesus.

St. Patrick's

The Christmas services at St. Patrick's church were again solemnly beautiful. The music was of the inspiring character that the people of the parish knew so well and the decorations were rich and tasteful. The streams of evergreen were suspended

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MATHEWS HAVE VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR

early masses were largely attended, but the congregation at the 11 o'clock service taxed the capacity of the edifice. The altar and auditorium were decorated with greenery and cut flowers and the sanctuary was brilliantly illuminated, symbolizing happiness in commemoration of the birth of the Savior. At the vespers solemn high mass was celebrated by Very Rev. T. Wade Smith, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. James T. McMenamin, O.M.I. as deacon and Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O.M.I. as sub-deacon. Frank Kellcher acted as master of ceremonies. Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., pastor preached the sermon. The church choir, under the direction of Organist John J. Kelly rendered a program of rare excellence while the processional cards by the sanctuary choir were especially well rendered.

In the evening at 6:30 o'clock solemn vespers were celebrated by Rev. Bernard T. Fletcher, O.M.I. assisted by Rev. Fr. McDermott, O.M.I. and Rev. Fr. Wood, O.M.I. The children of the parish, with the altar boys, members of the sanctuary choir and clergy marched through the church and then to the crib, where beautiful services were held. The musical program by both choirs was given in a very impressive manner. Particularly inspiring was the singing of Ave Verum by the church choir with tenor obligato by John H. Mahon. "Oh, Holy Night," sung by the chorus with Mrs. Philip Mooney sustaining the solo was well given. The service closed with the singing of the hymn, "Glory Be to God on High."

St. Michael's

The excellence of the Christmas music at St. Michael's church is well known throughout the city, and yesterday was no exception. The church choir of 30 voices under the direction of James A. Murphy sang the special numbers and the sanctuary choir of voices was heard with fine effect in the mass, processional and in the solemn recessional and recessional. The organists of the church choir were Mrs. James A. Murphy, Miss Margaret Griffin, Thomas D. Bouler and James A. Murphy. Miss Ella M. Reilly was organist. There were a great many communions at the earlier masses.

The solemn high mass at 11 o'clock was celebrated by Rev. Henry F. Tatman, with Rev. Francis J. Mallin as deacon and Rev. J. J. Lynch as sub-deacon. The pastor, Rev. John J. Shaw was present in the sanctuary. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Fr. Mullin. In the evening at 7 o'clock solemn vespers were celebrated and the same clergymen officiated.

The decorations in the church and about the crib were effectively beautiful, the seasonably green and red having been used with telling effect. The musical program, given under the direction of Michael J. Johnson, and rendered by a choir of 30 voices, and the sanctuary choir, directed by Rev. Brother Nitus, consisting of 50 voices, was especially pleasing and impressive. The processional and recessional were sung by the sanctuary choir and the members also sang the responses of the mass. The church quartet consisted of Miss Alice Murphy, Mrs. James Morris, John J. McNabb and Andrew A. McCarthy. At the vespers service last evening at 7 o'clock Miss Frances Tighe sang Holden's "O Salutaris" at the benediction. The officiating clergymen at the vespers services were Rev. Timothy P. Callahan, assisted by Monsignor O'Brien.

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St. Margaret's

The Christmas services at St. Margaret's were very elaborate, and the impressive interior of the edifice made a splendid setting for the ritual decorations and music.

The late mass was celebrated by Rev. William H. O'Connell, and he also preached the sermon. The main altar was beautifully draped with evergreen and flower effects, while innumerable candles and electric lamps added to the brilliancy of the effect. The decorations in the church and about the crib were effectively beautiful, the seasonably green and red having been used with telling effect.

St. Columba's

The Christmas services at St. Columba's church were an impressive production. The early masses of the day were celebrated by the pastor, Rev. T. W. Buckley. The church was decorated with greenery, flowers and ferns. The vespers services were held last evening at 7:30 o'clock and were attended by a congregation that filled the auditorium. The drapings about the crib were especially beautiful.

The musical program for the day was splendidly rendered by a large choir, while the solo work was also most commendable.

St. Anthony's

The services at St. Anthony's church on Christmas day were beautifully carried out. A solemn pontifical mass was celebrated by Rt. Rev. Henry J. Siwek, with Rev. Fr. Fernandes as deacon and Rev. Fr. Perry as sub-deacon. The church quartet rendered Gruber's festive mass and the offertory John J. Dalton sang Natale Nostri.

Missa was followed by solemn benediction and the singing of Ave Maria. The church quartet was composed of Miss Mary A. E. Lynch, soprano; Miss Mary A. E. Mack, contralto; Rev. Fr. John J. Dalton, tenor; and Rev. Fr. John J. Dalton, bass. Miss Mary A. E. Lynch was organist.

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